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Wounds don't stop walk down the aisle

Spc. Aaron Bugg's leg muscles were severed by a roadside bomb in Iraq.

Technology helped the soldier stand tall while saying his vows to his childhood sweetheart at Walter Reed Army Medical Center

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Army Spc. Aaron Bugg, 20, of the 25th Infantry Division out of Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, right, and Lisa McCroskey, 21, are married in a ceremony in the stone chapel at Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington. While 15 to 20 couples tie the knot at the stone chapel each year, Bugg's is the first wedding involving someone wounded in a war zone since 1993.

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News Tracker ... What's new with old news

States

Hinckley's outings: Prosecutors and defense lawyers agree John Hinckley Jr.'s mental health has improved but they differed on whether he's well enough to safely take longer, unsupervised trips away from the psychiatric hospital he's called home since shooting President Reagan in 1981.

Hinckley lawyer Barry W. Levine said his client's mental illness has been in remission for more than a decade. He accused the government of holding Hinckley to an unreasonable standard.

But government lawyer Robert Chapman said Hinckley, 49, has been deceptive about his relationship with a former girlfriend and warned a federal judge not to be lulled into a false sense of security just because Hinckley has been well-behaved during prior outings.

Vermont shooting appeal: Lawyers for Robert Woodward's family are appealing a federal judge's ruling that they don't have a case against the town of Brattleboro, Vt., and the two police officers who fatally shot Woodward in 2001.

The civil case, filed on the behalf of Woodward's father, mother and sister in U.S. District Court in Brattleboro, alleges that Brattleboro Police officers Marshall Holbrook and Terrance Parker and the town are liable for the shooting death of Woodward on the morning of Dec. 2, 2001, in the All Soul's Unitarian Church in West Brattleboro.

On the morning of his death, Woodward, 37, then living in Bellows Falls, entered the church, brandished a knife with a 3.5-inch blade, and was addressing the congregation about conspiracies before police arrived. According to eyewitness accounts, Woodward had threatened suicide with the knife, but hadn't at any point menaced anyone before being shot seven times in his arms, stomach and back.

Seril killer's murder trial: Coral Eugene Watts is a "stalking predator" who should be convicted in the slaying of a woman more than a quarter-century ago, a prosecutor said during closing arguments Tuesday in the only murder trial the confessed serial killer has faced.

Watts confessed in 1982 to 13 slayings but received immunity in 12 those killings as part of a deal with Texas prosecutors. He pleaded guilty to the lesser charge of burglary with intent to murder and was expected to serve his full 60-year sentence.

In an attempt to keep him behind bars, Michigan authorities have charged Watts with murder in the 1979 stabbing death of Dutchman in the Detroit suburb of Ferndale. If convicted, Watts, 51, faces a mandatory life sentence without the possibility of parole.

Maulmurdered boys: A Camden, N.J., man accused of starving his four adopted sons was in a coma Monday after suffering a massive stroke, according to officials of his church.

Raymond Jackson, 51, and his wife Vanessa, 49, are awaiting trial on aggravated assault and child endangerment charges.

The couple gave their first interview since their 2003 arrest in this week's edition of *New York Magazine*. In it, they said they were the victims of lies by their eldest adopted son and prosecutors.

Prosecutors said the couple systematic-



Russian school attack survivors: Russian children who survived the deadly September siege of their school in Beslan, Russia, listen to a priest speak in the Church of the Holy Sepulchre on Tuesday. The church in Jerusalem's Old City is built over the tomb where Jesus is said to have been buried. Eighteen children who were former hostages, some of whose family members are among the 330 people who died in the Beslan school, are visiting Israel for three weeks, hosted by the southern Israeli town of Ashkelon, which helped pay the cost of their visit. Many of the children who survived the attack are back in schools around the region. Some will vacation in Norway in the spring and summer as guests of that country.

ly starved their four adopted sons for years until one of them was found last year rummaging through a neighbor's trash for food. At the time, Bruce Jackson was 19, stood 4 feet tall and weighed 45 pounds.

The Jacksons deny starving the boys and say that the children had eating disorders.

World

Basque arrests: Police arrested 17 suspected members of the armed Basque separatist group ETA on Tuesday in a series of pre-dawn raids in northern Spain, officials said.

About 150 police officers took part in the raids in all three Basque provinces and in the neighboring Navarra region, the Interior Ministry said.

The arrests raised to at least 32 the number of suspected ETA members detained since October 25, when a suspected logistics operative was arrested in Bilbao, the largest and wealthiest Basque city.

ETA has been blamed for more than 800 deaths in its more than 30-year campaign for an independent Basque homeland in territory straddling northern Spain and southwestern France.

Madrid bombing trial: The first trial stemming from the Madrid terrorist bombing ended after just 25 minutes Tuesday as a Spanish teenager pleaded guilty to charges he helped transport dynamite used in the attack.

The 16-year-old accepted the prosecutor's request for a six-year term in a juvenile detention center.

The trial had been scheduled to last three days at the National Court. The March 11 attack killed 191 people and was blamed on Muslim militants linked to al-Qaida.

Thatcher son's extradition: Equatorial

Guinea has decided to seek the extradition of Mark Thatcher, son of the former British prime minister, for trial in an alleged coup plot in the isolated, oil-rich central African nation, a legal official close to the government said Tuesday.

Thatcher, a 51-year-old businessman, is now under arrest in South Africa in connection with the alleged plot. Equatorial Guinea accuses Thatcher and other financiers, of conspiring for the mercenary overthrow of 25-year president Teodoro Obiang.

Sept. 11 terror trial in Germany: A man accused of supporting the Sept. 11 attacks on the United States was close friends with lead hijacker Mohamed Atta and once said something big was being planned and that "the Jews will burn," a witness testified Tuesday.

Holger L., who roomed with suspect Mounir el Motassadeq while they were both students at Hamburg's Technical University between 1996 and 1999, said the Moroccan often had visits from Atta and Ramzi Binalshibh, among others.

Binalshibh, who is in secret U.S. custody, is thought to be the Hamburg al-Qaida cell's key contact with Osama bin Laden's terrorist network.

Business

Battle for Bud name: The latest round of the global legal battle between Czech brewer Budějovický Budvar and U.S. beer giant Anheuser-Busch Ltd. remained unresolved Tuesday after the European Union's high court passed the trademark case back to judges in Finland.

The Finnish case is part of a tussle dating back almost a century and involving dozens of lawsuits around the world for rights to the Budweiser, Bud and Budvar beer labels.

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Dining facility opens for single Aviano airmen

Dorm dwellers will no longer receive monthly allowance to cover food costs

By Kent Harris

Stars and Stripes

AVIANO AIR BASE, Italy — Lines often get longer during the holidays, but at Aviano some of them are likely going to get shorter.

La Dolce Vita, the base's new dining facility for those living on base, served its first meal Monday, offering items for lunch such as Salisbury steak and baked chicken. Tuesday marked the first breakfast served.

While much of the base's active-duty and civilian work force won't be eating regularly at the facility — it's largely limited to single enlisted airmen — they'll likely see a difference elsewhere on base in December.

That's because airmen living in the dorms have been receiving hundreds of dollars monthly as a food allowance.

With the debut of the La Dolce Vita ("the sweet life" in English) and the re-opening of the Buon Appetito dining facility across town, that allotment will vanish. And lines at places such as the Mensa and the food court — and even the commissary and shoppettes — may become shorter.

"It's not that big a deal," said Airman 1st Class Bryan Nelson, trying out breakfast for the first time at the facility Tuesday



KENT HARRIS/Stars and Stripes

Airman Chris Evans, left, and Airman 1st Class Bryan Nelson sample the debut of breakfast Tuesday at the La Dolce Vita dining facility at Aviano Air Base in Italy. The \$4.1 million facility, which served its first meals Monday, is the place where airmen living in the dorms on base will eat many of their meals.

with Airman Chris Evans. "We still have enough money."

But Nelson, who figures to lose about \$500 a month, said his eating habits would certainly change. He'll be dining for free at the new facility.

"We'll be eating here pretty much all the time," he said.

Master Sgt. Vateria Ivy, the dining facility manager, said there would be plenty of food to eat. The facility will serve four meals a day: breakfast, from 5:30 to 7:30

a.m.; lunch, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.; dinner, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.; and late-night, 11 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Menus, which follow the basic Air Force 14-day rotation plan, will be posted on the Internet. But Ivy said the facility, which employs 14 local nationals and 17 airmen, would try to offer alternatives such as a potato bar on Tuesdays, ethnic food on Wednesdays and pasta bar on Thursdays.

She says she knows that at least some of her customers will be grumbling initially.

"Nobody likes losing all that money, so it's going to make us work a little harder to give them a nutritionally balanced meal that they'll like," she said.

The \$4.1 million facility will also offer meals to members of the Italian air force on base. A flight kitchen, staffed by the same people, can put together meals, with a few hours' notice, for air crews, security forces and those with special needs.

Ivy calls the facility, with high ceilings and new furniture "aesthetically beautiful." She estimates that crews will be able to serve 550 customers a meal, with a seating capacity of 137.

Business so far has been pretty slow. "The whole base doesn't know about it yet," said Tech Sgt. Rick Horn, one of those serving customers Tuesday morning. "Once they find out, business will pick up."

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Scouting activities will go on despite Pentagon sponsorship reminder

By Ben Murray

Stars and Stripes

Despite a recent reminder from the Pentagon that military bases cannot officially sponsor Boy Scout, Girl Scout and Cub Scout troops, base officials in Europe say that scouting programs will continue.

"We plan to continue our current support to the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, which includes such things as: facilities to conduct regular meetings and recreational activities, and to store supplies, local military telephone service, health care during scouting activities in accordance with applicable service regulations, and space-available use of youth services equipment," according to Millie Waters, spokeswoman for the Installation Management Agency-Europe.

The Pentagon reminder, announced Monday, comes as part of a settlement in a lawsuit against the Department of Defense and other organizations brought by the American Civil Liberties Union of Illinois.

Waters said Tuesday that IMA had received the memo from the Pentagon and would be forwarding it to installation and military unit commanders. Waters would not provide a copy of the memo to Stars and Stripes.

The ACLU suit claimed that the government was improperly sponsoring a private group that maintains some religious association.

The Pentagon, however, said it has long had regulations against the sponsorship of nonfederal organizations and believes military units are in compliance with those guidelines, according to The Associated Press. Military regulations do not forbid service members from leading scout troops in their free time.

According to Dan Adams, executive director for the Transatlantic Council of the Boy Scouts of America, about 85 percent to 90 percent of Europe-based scout troops are currently chartered by military organizations.

If military organizations are no longer allowed to sponsor troops, Adams said, the scouts in Europe would face a significant obstacle, but still would be able to provide scouting programs. The scouts, he said, might be able to adapt by shifting their charter organizations from military units to groups of parents or other private organizations.

Currently, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and Cub Scouts in the Transatlantic Council chapters include about 10,000 members across 26 countries, "from Turkey to Ireland," Adams said.

Lisa Boughton, Cub Scout committee chairwoman for Pack 65 in Darmstadt, Germany, said regardless of who the official benefactor of the scouts becomes, the kids programs will continue.

"Scouting will go on," Boughton said.

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Heritage dance



Left: Brandon Roberts of the White Eagle Native American Dancers performs at Wiesbaden American Middle School in Germany on Tuesday. The White Eagle Dancers will be performing a variety of traditional and cultural dances from several American Indian tribes at military bases around Europe through Dec. 4. For a complete schedule, see: mwr-europe.com.

Below: The dancers and students from the school perform a "Buffalo Dance."

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DODDS-Europe sets students up with e-mail

BY SANDRA JONTZ
Stars and Stripes

The Department of Defense Dependent Schools-Europe has invested in an e-mail system that levels the playing field between pupils who have e-mail accounts and those who don't.

Young students communicate with mom and dad, especially those deployed, was a huge motivation behind the program.

"Unlike most civilian stateside schools, DODDS-E is attuned to the role of children in deployments," DODDS spokesman Frank O'Gara said. "Teachers receive training to assist kids in dealing with the stress of deployments and to look for signs of distress."

And this is another peg in helping them cope, he said.

For example, a "tremendous" number of parents of Ansbach High School students are deployed to Iraq, and the e-mail system will give them a chance to stay linked to their parents, Principal Jennifer Rowland said.

Until Friday's parent-teacher conference, Ansbach had only 25 of its 317 students submit the required parent- or guardian-signed permission slip, she said.

"I don't know if it was forgetfulness, or what," she said. But post-conference, interest shot up to well over 200, she said.

"At this point, it's brand new and hard to say how it's going, but

we anticipate it will be a good resource for student and teachers and parents," Rowland said. "Teachers will have all student e-mail accounts and can e-mail reminders and other correspondence to the whole class."

Systemwide, 5,990 of Europe's roughly 45,000 pupils have registered for their own e-mail accounts, said Pat Ridge, the educational technologist for DODDS-Europe Education Division.

The school system spent about \$5,000 to buy a commercially available system through Gangle mail, and will maintain servers in Frankfurt to provide faster access than using a commercial system based in the States, O'Gara said.

The reason behind the program is twofold, Ridge said.

First, it lets pupils and teachers readily communicate with each other and with their parents, whether the parents are around the corner at work or home, or deployed miles away in a combat zone.

The second reason is to let children take advantage of online educational curricula, such as distance-learning programs, advanced-placement classes offered at other DODDS schools, mentor programs, or a chance to work on class projects with pupils around the world, Ridge said.

Some high school students also

have begun submitting college entrance packages through the e-mail system.

The e-mail accounts are monitored closely by teachers, and filtering software blocks unsolicited e-mail, commonly called spam; pornographic e-mails; and mail that might contain offensive words, he said.

The program can be customized to block out e-mails that might contain new phrases pupils might contrive to circumvent the blockers.

The system-blocked e-mails will be redirected to the teachers, who can counsel children on proper use of the system, if necessary.

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Police discover body of missing GI in Rhine

Stars and Stripes

German police have recovered the body of a 1st Armored Division soldier who had been reported missing from Wiesbaden Army Airfield since Oct. 31.

Police found Spc. George Coney II, 27, of North Carolina, in the Rhine River in Mainz about 6:30 p.m. Saturday, German police told Stars and Stripes.

Initial evidence suggests that Coney's death was either an accident or suicide, police said. Though they aren't ruling out foul play, they added that Coney appears to have drowned, and there is no outward sign of violence.

Army and German investigators used Army dental records to confirm the Coney's identity, according to the news release.

An autopsy was conducted to determine the exact cause of death.

The body was released Tuesday and will be transported to the States, police said.

Coney was assigned to the 141st Signal Battalion, based in Wiesbaden, 1st AD headquarters. He had served in Iraq with the division, but the police did not have an exact date when he had returned.

U.S. Army and German authorities are conducting an ongoing joint investigation, according to a 1st AD news release.



JESSICA INGO/Stars and Stripes

Melanie Evans and Laryn Hernandez, two Army Community Service Center employees, test two of the four computer terminals in the Yellow Ribbon Room in Darmstadt, Germany. Yellow Ribbon Rooms offer Internet access for e-mailing, Web camera capabilities, and fax and copy machines for friends and families of deployed troops.

Yellow Ribbon Rooms help families stay connected with deployed troops

BY JESSICA INGO
Stars and Stripes

DARMSTADT, Germany — Yellow Ribbon Rooms will be brimming with family members about the same time yellow ribbons are tied around the trees in the 233rd Base Support Battalion communities next year.

The Yellow Ribbon Rooms in Darmstadt and Babenhausen Army Community Service centers have the technology to help keep friends and families in touch throughout deployments.

"When you see a yellow ribbon tied around a tree it symbolizes troops are downrange. Our Yellow Ribbon Room recognizes they are downrange, but allows a connection while they're deployed," said Renee Brent, manager for the Outreach, Deployment, and Mobilization Program. "And just like a yellow ribbon stays around the tree until they get home, our Yellow Ribbon Room will stay open and available until the troops get home."

The rooms, which opened in September, have four computer terminals with Web camera capabilities and fax and copy machines, something not every family has at home, said Patricia Hollis, the Darmstadt and Babenhausen ACS director. The Babenhausen room is on Babenhausen Casern and the Darmstadt room is on Cambrai-Fritsch Casern.

She said the ACS used Army Lessons Learned, a program that gathers information from previous deployments, and re-

alized that family members need community support to have good communication with those serving downrange.

"Sometimes we assume all families have the capabilities to keep in touch with their spouse when they deploy, but sometimes they don't," Hollis said.

She explained that military moves sometimes keep home computers away from families when they need them the most: during the integration to a new military community.

Also, unlike video conferencing, the Yellow Ribbon Rooms allow for some privacy, Brent said. The Web cams come equipped with personal earphones and microphones for private conversations.

Community members in Darmstadt and Babenhausen may be tying yellow ribbons around the trees in early spring, according to Hilde Patton, V Corps spokeswoman.

"With the upcoming deployment, I expect a major increase in room usage," Hollis said. She explained that when the rooms start filling with friends and family members that more rules would be enforced. She expects there to be waiting lists with set times and computer terminal instructions posted.

Hollis said the hours and the size of the facility might change when more troops are deployed from the 233rd. Currently, a deployed military police unit from Darmstadt and local reservists are getting the most use out of the room.

Presently, the Yellow Ribbon Rooms are open daily from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

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WWII artillery shells found

Six World War II German artillery shells were found just outside the Naval Support Activity Naples, Italy, fence line by Italian construction workers Saturday afternoon.

The workers found the shells about 3 p.m. as they dug in the area less than 100 yards from the BQ 4 barracks and notified base security. The barracks was not evacuated.

Within minutes, base security personnel blocked the on-base portion of the perimeter.

A base military working dog team also was brought in and the dog indicated a positive for explosives.

Italian military and civilian authorities arrived around 4 p.m. and suspended further excavation until the following morning.

Around 9 a.m. Sunday, Italian explosive ordnance disposal personnel removed the six shells and base security reopened the fence line.

According to the base public affairs officer, Lt. Cmdr. Jacky Fisher, an Italian army official said there is a request to investigate the area for more ordnance within the next three weeks.

From staff reports

Ramstein East Gate closed for 2 months

Traffic patterns on, off base altered

By Terry Boyd
Stars and Stripes

Commuters used to using the East Gate at Ramstein Air Base, Germany, should be prepared for traffic disruptions later this week.

Beginning Thursday morning and running through mid-January, the base's East Gate — closest to Kaiserslautern via the Einsiedlerhof exit off Autobahn 6 — will be closed for construction of new force-protection measures.

Traffic will be routed through Harmon Gate, which is just beyond the main gate, said Erin Zagursky, chief of media relations for 435th Air Base Wing public affairs.

People entering Ramstein from the Kaiserslautern area can still

use B-270 from B-40 into the base, Zagursky said.

Outbound traffic will exit Ramstein through the gate near the Services Auto Recycling Center — known as the "junkyard gate" — near Arnold Circle, she said.

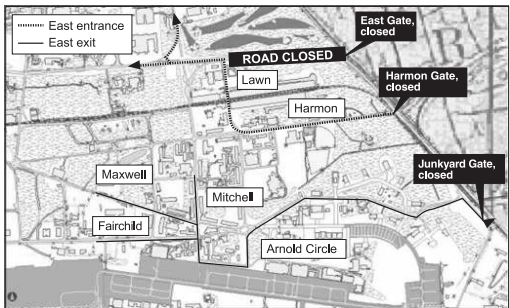
The West Gate, considered the main base gate, near Ramstein, handles the majority of traffic and will not be affected, Zagursky said. It's impossible to know if the changes will cause traffic complications, she added: "It'll take a while to get used to it."

About 40,000 Americans — active-duty and civilians — live and work near Ramstein, which is both the major U.S. military cargo air hub in Europe and headquarters for U.S. Air Forces in Europe.

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Getting on and off Ramstein Air Base

Starting Thursday, Ramstein Air Base's East Gate will not be open to those seeking to enter or exit the base from the east. Harmon Gate, which is just south of East Gate, will be used to get on base, and cars will exit the base by way of Junkyard Gate. The construction site at East Gate is expected to last until mid-January.



Source: U.S. Air Force

Stars and Stripes

Marine's wife sentenced

PHOENIX — The wife of a Marine who pleaded guilty to conspiring to have her husband killed while he was stationed in Kuwait has been sentenced to more than seven years in prison.

Wendy Glass, 35, was sentenced Monday

to 87 months in prison and five years probation. She pleaded guilty in June.

She acknowledged an affair with another Marine, Larry Franness, from November 2001 to May 2003, and admitted she and Franness conspired to kill her husband, James Houston Glass.

While in Kuwait, Franness tried to kill

James Glass, prosecutors said. James Glass was injured but survived.

Jail time for Marine's ex-wife

SAN DIEGO — The ex-wife of a Marine was sentenced Monday to nearly 11 years in prison for a bungled plot with her lover to kill him to collect life insurance money.

Astrid K. Tepatti, 22, pleaded guilty in August to attempted murder, admitting she sneaked into her husband's home on the Camp Pendleton Marine Corps base in January and fired a revolver at him.

The bullet lodged in the sofa where Sgt. Stephen Tepatti was sleeping. He was unhurt.

From The Associated Press

"The photo is actually woven into the blanket so wash after wash the image will never fade."

Family

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As Tuskegee Airmen age, museum delays are of great concern

The Associated Press

TUSKEGEE, Ala. — At 85, Carol Woods hopes he lives long enough to see a museum dedicated to his old World War II fighter group, the famed Tuskegee Airmen.

Six years after it was approved as a national landmark, the training site of the nation's first all-black air unit still lacks a full-fledged museum. Visitors wanting to learn about the group have to visit a trailer on a hill near Moton Field.

The delay has been a disappointment for veterans like Woods, who was a German prisoner of war for six months after his P-51 Mustang was shot down over Greece in 1944.

"We are anxious because most of us are about my age and older."

We'd like to see it before we go," said Woods, who was a major in the Air Force and served from 1941 to 1961.

The surviving Tuskegee Airmen gathered at Moton Field two years ago for the dedication of their rural training base as a national historic site. The old airfield includes an original red-brick hangar and the control tower.

Lawmakers authorized about

\$29 million for the project, with a museum and educational facility planned. But not much has happened since the dedication.

U.S. Rep. Mike Rogers (R) said he is on top of the project, and work will begin next year.

"All I know is it's taken what I think is an incredible amount of time, but at least it's now complete, and we're ready to break ground," he told the Montgomery Advertiser in a story Monday.

Retired Lt. Col. Hebert E. Carter, 85, believes Rogers is committed to the project, but he speaks about it with traces of worry. All the old fliers can do is wait.

"Otherwise, we're going to pass on, as many have in the last six years, very disappointed," he said.

Plans call not only for a museum but also an aviation school at the site. Rogers said about \$6 million has been spent stabilizing structures at Moton Field and designing the project.

Montgomery architect Don Brown, a consultant to the project, said the total effort will cost about \$18 million. He said the first phase, which will cost about \$6 million and will take a year to complete starting next summer, is restoring a hangar and assembling exhibits.

U.S. deaths in Iraq

The Associated Press

As of Monday, Nov. 15, 2004, at least 1,194 members of the U.S. military have died since the beginning of the Iraq war in March 2003, according to an Associated Press count. At least 928 died as a result of hostile action, the Defense Department said as of Monday. The figures include three military civilians.

The AP count matches the Defense Department's tally, which was last updated Monday.

The British military has reported 74 deaths. Italy has reported 19; Poland, 13; Spain, 11; Ukraine, nine; Bulgaria, seven; Slovakia, three; and Estonia, Thailand and the Netherlands, two each. Denmark, El Salvador, Hungary and Latvia have reported one death each.

Since May 1, 2003, when President Bush declared that major combat operations in Iraq had ended, 1,056 U.S. military members have died, according to AP's count. That includes at least 816 deaths resulting from hostile action, according to the military's numbers.

The latest deaths reported by the military:

■ A soldier died Monday in military vehicle accident in Baghdad. The latest identifications reported by the military:

■ Marine Lance Cpl. Benjamin S. Bryan, 23, Lumberton, N.C.; killed Saturday in Iraq's Anbar province; assigned to 3rd Battalion, 1st Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division, I Marine Expeditionary Force, Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, Calif.

■ Marine Lance Cpl. Justin M. Ellsworth, 20, Mount Pleasant, Mich.; killed Saturday in Iraq's Anbar province; assigned to Combat Service Support Battalion 1, Combat Service Support Group 11, 1st Force Service Support Group, I Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Pendleton, Calif.

■ Marine Lance Cpl. Victor R. Lu, 22, Los Angeles; killed Saturday in Iraq's Anbar province; assigned to 3rd Battalion, 5th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division, I Marine Expeditionary Force, Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, Calif.

■ Marine Lance Cpl. Justin D. McLeese, 19, Covington, La.; killed Saturday in Iraq's Anbar province; assigned to 3rd Battalion, 1st Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division, I Marine Expeditionary Force, Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, Calif.

■ Marine Sgt. Byron W. Norwood, 25, Pittsboro, Texas; killed Saturday in Iraq's Anbar province; assigned to 3rd Battalion, 1st Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division, I Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Pendleton, Calif.

■ Army Capt. Sean P. Sims, 32, El Paso, Texas; died Saturday in Fallujah, Iraq, when his unit was attacked while wearing a bulletproof vest assigned to 2nd Battalion, 2nd Infantry Regiment, 1st Infantry Division, Vilseck, Germany.

■ Army Spc. Jose A. Velez, 23, Lubbock, Texas; killed Saturday in Fallujah, when his unit came under fire; assigned to 2nd Battalion, 7th Cavalry Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas.

■ Marine Cpl. Nicholas L. Ziolkowski, 22, Towson, Md.; assigned to 1st Battalion, 8th Marine Regiment, 2nd Marine Division, I Marine Expeditionary Force, Marine Corps Base Camp, Lejeune, N.C.

Fighting intensifies in Mosul

U.S., Iraqi forces move to retake parts of northern Iraqi city

By KATARINA KRATOVC

The Associated Press

BAGHDAD — U.S. and Iraqi troops stormed insurgent-held police stations and neighborhoods Tuesday, launching an offensive to retake parts of Mosul, a northern Iraqi city where gunmen staged a mass uprising last week in support of fighters in Fallujah.

Troops secured several police stations by the mid-afternoon, meeting "very little resistance," the U.S. military said. Mosul residents claimed that insurgents blew up three stations they were holding before abandoning them ahead of the U.S. assault. The U.S. military denied that any police stations were destroyed.

However, Nineveh Provincial Deputy Gov. Khaisrou Gouran said that militants blew up the Zuhour police station Tuesday.

"They attacked it three days ago and it was vacated from police. Today, the armed men came back and blew it up. The aim is that the policemen and the National Guard don't go back to it," he said.

U.S. warplanes and helicopters hovered over Mosul — Iraq's third largest city, with about 1 million residents — as loud explosions and gunfire were heard. About 1,200 U.S. soldiers were now part in the offensive to retake about 10 dozen police stations abandoned by Iraqi forces in the uprising.

Mortars struck two areas near the main



Insurgents run near a burning oil facility in Eid al-Jahish, near Mosul, Iraq, on Monday. Gunmen attacked and set fire to the station, where oil is stored and then pumped to Ceyhan port, according to eyewitnesses.

government building in the city center, killing three civilians and injuring 25 others, hospital officials said. A car bomb exploded near a U.S. convoy in a Sunni Arab neighborhood of western Mosul, wounding one U.S. soldier, the military said.

The uprising swept across Mosul — 225 miles north of Baghdad — amid a wave of violence across northern and central Iraq following the U.S.-led attack on Fallujah, the insurgents' strongest bastion, west of Baghdad. The week-old Fallujah offensive has killed at least 38 American troops and six Iraqi soldiers.

American officials estimate that 1,200 insurgents have been killed in the Fallujah fighting.

But many insurgents are thought to have slipped out of Fallujah ahead of the U.S. onslaught.

In a speech found Monday on the Internet, a speaker said to be Abu Musab al-Zarqawi, the country's most feared terrorist leader, called on his followers to "show" the Americans "with rockets and mortars" because U.S. forces were spread too thin as they seek to "finish off Islam in Fallujah."

Military investigates report of Marine shooting injured Iraqi man in Fallujah

By ROBERT H. REID

The Associated Press

BAGHDAD — The U.S. military said Tuesday it is investigating the videotaped fatal shooting of a wounded man by a U.S. Marine in a mosque in Fallujah. Iraqis condemned the act as "cowardice" and "something forbidden in Islam."

Investigators will determine whether the Marine acted in self-defense against what a spokesman described as an "enemy combatant."

The dramatic footage was taken Saturday by pool correspondent Kevin Sites of NBC, whose report said the man who was killed didn't appear to be armed or threatening in any way, with no weapons visible in the mosque.

The slain man was among a group of men wounded in fighting a day earlier at the mosque and left there. Three others in the group were also shot again Saturday by Marines, Sites said.

The Marine involved in the fatal shooting was withdrawn from the battlefield pending the results of the investigation, the U.S. military said.



In this image taken from pool video provided to the Associated Press by NBC News, a U.S. Marine is seen, left, raising his rifle in the direction of Iraqi men lying on the floor of a mosque in Fallujah, Iraq, on Saturday.

"We follow the law of armed conflict and hold ourselves to a high standard of accountability," said Lt. Gen. John F. Sattler, commanding general of the 1st Marine Expeditionary Force. "The facts of this case will be thoroughly pursued to make an informed decision and to protect the rights of all persons involved."

The Marine statement said the investigators would look at

"an allegation of the unlawful use of force in the death of an enemy combatant."

"The purpose of this investigation is to determine whether the Marine acted in self-defense, violated military law or failed to comply with the Law of Armed Conflict," it said.

Florian Westphal, a spokesman for the International Committee for the Red Cross, said he couldn't say for sure whether

the men in the mosque were prisoners or not.

"The fact that was reported was that he was wounded. But whether he was already a prisoner or not was not clear to me," Westphal said.

"We cannot, on the basis of TV images — no matter how disturbing and disconcerting they are — arrive at a judgment about an incident. We were not on the spot so we cannot be aware of all the circumstances of this incident," he said.

"It's clearly recognized that people in combat situations are under enormous strain," Westphal said. But, he added, the Geneva Conventions are clear: Protection of wounded combatants once they are out of action is a basic rule.

Iraqi Interior Minister Faisal Hassan al-Nagib said that while "killing a wounded person is rejected by us," the militants in Fallujah were responsible for their own brutal acts against Iraqis and foreigners, and were "killers and criminals."

Footage of the shooting was aired on Al-Jazeera television.

Iraqis interviewed Tuesday in Baghdad harshly condemned the killing.



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Soldier wounded in Iraq walks down aisle

Buoyed by love and technology, GI stands to recite vows

BY BILL BROADWAY

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Six weeks ago, Spc. Aaron Bugg was dragged from a Humvee that had been hit by a roadside bomb in Iraq, his leg muscles severed and unable to carry his weight. Last Saturday, Bugg walked down the aisle with the woman he has loved since junior high.

More than 50 friends and family members attended the wedding, in the stone chapel on the grounds of Walter Reed Army Medical Center.

Bugg, 20, of the 25th Infantry Division out of Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, wore a tuxedo that had a specially made left pant leg to cover a "fixator," a device that stabilizes the leg while bone and muscle regenerate. His bride, Lisa McCroskey, 21, wore a beaded satin gown.

Bugg sat through much of the 40-minute ceremony, but he stood to take his wedding vows and for the lighting of the unity candle. After the chaplain, Capt. Robin W. Pizanti, presented the couple, Bugg held his wife's arm as they walked out of the church and down two small flights of steps.

"He wasn't supposed to walk that far," said the surprised best man, Matias Reveles, as he rushed a wheelchair to assist his nephew.

The wedding was one of 15 to 20 each year at Walter Reed, which has treated 3,612 patients from Operation Iraqi Freedom.

But it's the first wedding involving someone wounded in a war zone since 1993, when a soldier hurt in Somalia was married there, according to Walter Reed spokesman Bill Swisher. And this ceremony almost didn't happen.

A week ago, Walter Reed's office of the judge advocate general learned that several area businesses had offered to donate their services, which involved the groom's custom tuxedo, hairstyling for the bride and three bridesmaids, wedding programs and a honeymoon night and reception at the Four Seasons Hotel in Georgetown. Such donations violate the military's code of ethics and couldn't be accepted, Bugg and McCroskey were told.

But Ed Solomon, owner of Anthony's Tuxedos, and Fisher House, a foundation that assists wounded veterans and their families at 15 medical centers in the United States and Germany, worked out a solution.

The businesses could donate the services to Fisher House, which would give them to the couple, said Jim Weiskopf, Fisher's vice president for communications in Rockville, Md. Like the Fisher program that provides airline tickets for wounded veterans and their families, the procedure would not benefit one person but be open to all qualified personnel, he said.

The couple, who found each other in eighth grade in Marionville, Mo., got engaged last Christmas. But they didn't set a date

until Bugg came home for a monthlong leave in late August, McCroskey said. They decided on January, when Bugg's infantry unit was scheduled to return from its security mission near Kirkuk.

Nine days after Bugg returned

to Iraq, a bomb exploded near the unarmored Humvee in which he and three other soldiers were riding. He asked the medic in a helicopter, "Sir, don't let them take my arms or legs."

He has no memory of the four days between the explosion and

waking up at Walter Reed. McCroskey withdrew from classes at Southwest Missouri State University in Springfield to be with him.

A week later, they decided to marry sooner.

When McCroskey saw the chapel, she was impressed. "I said, 'Omigod, this place is beautiful. I would love to get married here.'"

McCroskey said she has seen

some people "bail out" of relationships after a military member returns from the battlefield with severe physical or emotional wounds. That's something she said she could not, and would not, do.

"Aaron's my best friend and the love of my life," she said. "I could be home in school, but I would be thinking about him and wishing I was here."



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IN THE WORLD

Colin Powell being praised by world leaders

BY JOSEPH COLEMAN
The Associated Press

TOKYO — World leaders lavished praise on Colin Powell as he stepped down as U.S. secretary of state, hailing his efforts to build international consensus and pledging to work closely with his replacement.



Powell

The outpouring reflected Powell's standing as a balanced, multi-lateral force in a U.S. administration that many, particularly in Europe and China, regarded as too willing to act on its own.

"Mr. Powell showed his understanding of our country, and made so many efforts to promote friendship," Japanese Prime Minister Junichiro Koizumi said Tuesday. "I'd

Global community has mixed feelings on Rice

BY JOHN LEICESTER

The Associated Press

PARIS — In Europe, it's hard for some to think of Condoleezza Rice — Colin Powell's replacement as U.S. secretary of state — without recalling the low points in trans-Atlantic relations that grew out of the war in Iraq.

After all, it was Rice who raised eyebrows last year with her Machiavellian suggestions for how Washington should treat European opponents of the U.S.-led invasion.

"Punish France, ignore Germany and forgive Russia," Rice was widely quoted as telling associates in the spring of 2003.

Trans-Atlantic ties have since improved to some extent. But Rice's reputation still precedes her.

like to express my heartfelt respect for his efforts and achievements."

President Bush's most trusted foreign policy adviser, Condoleezza Rice, was tapped to replace Powell, a senior U.S. administration official said.

Koizumi, a steadfast supporter of Washington's policy in Iraq, said "whoever takes over the position, the importance of U.S.-Japan relationship will not change."

Chinese Foreign Minister Li Zhaochong called Powell "a good friend" in comments to Hong

"Condoleezza Rice is a woman with character, that's the least we can say," French Foreign Minister Michel Barnier said Tuesday of President Bush's trusted national security adviser.

Many in Europe, Asia and the Middle East believed Rice will add a more conservative, hawkish bent to U.S. diplomacy after Powell, seen by many as a moderating voice in a Cabinet of hawks.

One immediate issue she will face is the Mideast peace process following the death of Yasser Arafat.

Palestinians said the new Bush administration must put more energy into the quest for peace.

Israel warmly welcomed Rice's naming to the post, with Israeli Foreign Minister Silvan Shalom saying: "She is a true friend to Israel. Her friendship toward Israel is very deep and stems from religious feelings and deep faith."

Kong reporters on the sidelines of Chinese President Hu Jintao's visit to Brazil. He added that the change in personnel would not change relations with Washington.

The expressions of respect for Powell were similarly warm elsewhere, among those who support

the U.S. operation in Iraq and those who are opposed.

British Foreign Secretary Jack Straw, who worked with Powell on the Iraq war, said the former general had made the transition "from being a great soldier to being a great statesman and diplomat."

Britain plans smoking ban in most public spots

LONDON — Four hundred years after King James I denounced tobacco as "loathsome to the eye, hateful to the nose, harmful to the brain, dangerous to the lungs," the British government announced plans Tuesday to ban smoking in most public places, including restaurants and any pub that serves food.

Anti-smoking activists declared a partial victory, criticizing Health Secretary John Reid for letting smokers continue lighting up in some pubs and bars.

Nonetheless, it's a big step for a country that's had a long love-hate affair with tobacco. Britain's smoky pubs are at the heart of the nation's social life, and the trend in recent years toward "gastropubs" that serve meals as well as booze means the proposed ban will affect many drinking establishments.

Reid said only 20 percent of pubs and bars would be exempt from the ban, which would only apply in England, because they serve no food. Private social clubs are also exempt.

If approved by Parliament, the ban would be phased in over four years, affecting pubs last, by the end of 2008.

If Reid's proposal becomes law, Britain would be one of a handful of European countries to outlaw smoking in many public places since New York City made headlines with a strict ban last year.

Announcing the plan to the House of Commons, Reid said the measure was a fair compromise that respected people's right to make unhealthy choices, but not to harm others.

Health advocates, while they praised the plan as a step forward, faulted it for not going far enough and taking too long to get there.

By The Associated Press

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IN THE STATES

Bush nominates Rice as secretary of state

BY DEB RIECHMANN
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Bush promoted his most trusted foreign policy adviser to secretary of state on Tuesday, tapping Condoleezza Rice to replace warrior-turned-diplomat Colin Powell as part of a sweeping second-term Cabinet overhaul.

"The secretary of state is America's face to the world and in Dr. Rice the world will see the strength, grace and decency of our country," Bush said of his national security adviser.

He thanked Powell, a former chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and national security adviser.

er, for working "tirelessly and selflessly" on behalf of the country.

Rice is the second White House loyalist to land a Cabinet post since Bush's re-election triggered a top-tier shake-up that has presented several agency heads with the clear impression that their services were no longer needed. White House counsel Alberto Gonzales is Bush's nominee to replace Attorney General John Ashcroft.

Bush named Stephen Hadley, Rice's deputy, to replace her as national security adviser, the top White House-based foreign policy aide.

Rice, who is considered more of a foreign policy hard-liner than

Powell, has been Bush's national security adviser for four years.

But while she's known around the globe, her image on the world stage does not rival Powell's. The retired four-star general has higher popularity ratings than the president.

"Under your leadership, America is fighting and winning the war on terror," Rice said to her boss during the Roosevelt Room announcement.

If confirmed by the Senate, she would be the first black woman secretary of state.

Rice, raised in the segregated South, is an accomplished pianist and Russian scholar who Bush said was "taught that human dignity is a gift of God and that the

ideals of America would overcome oppression."

Bush asked the Senate for quick confirmation. "The nation needs her," he said.

Besides Powell and Ashcroft, Education Secretary Rod Paige, Agriculture Secretary Ann Veneman and Energy Secretary Spencer Abraham resigned as Bush sought a fresh start for a second term.

Administration officials say Homeland Security Secretary Tom Ridge and Health and Human Services Secretary Tommy Thompson may be next. Officials close to Ridge say he may be willing to stay for a few months and advisers to Thompson hint that he may be open to another Cabinet post.



Condoleezza Rice



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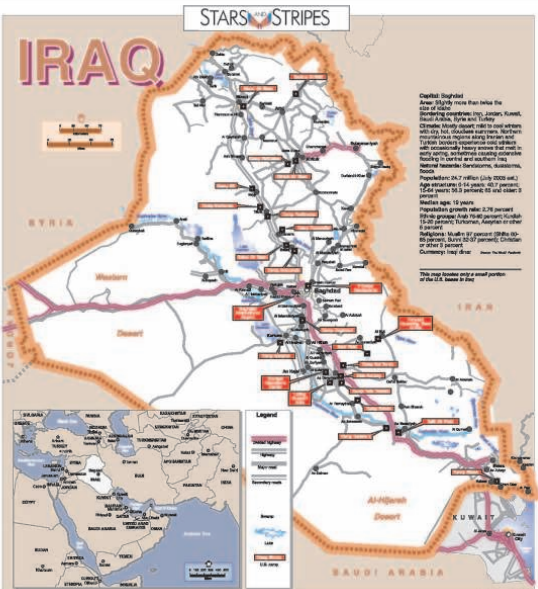
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CIA loses 2 more officials amid infighting

BY KATHERINE
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The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Two more top officials are leaving the CIA, signaling internal instability at the spy agency as CIA Director Porter Goss gets settled in.

The CIA's Deputy Director for Operations Stephen Kappes and his immediate deputy, Michael Sulick, told colleagues Monday morning that they were departing the agency, which was heavily criticized for prewar intelligence lapses in Iraq and the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks. It's unclear whether Kappes and Sulick resigned voluntarily or were asked to step down.

Both men were part of the CIA's Direc-

torate of Operations, or clandestine service, which is responsible for covert operations around the globe.

Last week, the agency's No. 2 official, John McLaughlin, also retired, citing personal reasons.

In a statement, Goss thanked Kappes and Sulick for their work.

"The legacy that both officers leave behind them is one of dedication to the covert mission of this agency," Goss said.

A front-runner for Kappes' job is the current director of the CIA's counterterrorism center, who cannot be publicly identified because he is undercover, said an intelligence official, also speaking on condition of anonymity.

Current agency officials are not allowed

to talk with the media without permission, but have been in touch with former intelligence officials.

Speaking on condition of anonymity, former officials described intense friction within the agency with Goss now in charge. And some say there are concerns that more officers at the CIA's counterterrorism center and elsewhere may be asked to resign or told that they no longer have a future at the agency.

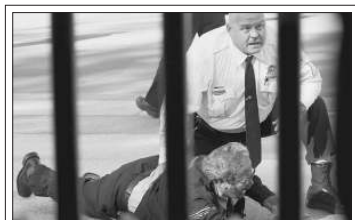
"It's very fair to say there is tremendous turmoil in the middle ranks of the clandestine service today," said Vince Cammarino, former CIA counterterrorism chief. "There may be eight people pushed out."

Cammarino said there is concern within the agency that Vice President Dick

Cheney is ordering changes to avenge leaks to the media indicating there was no connection between former Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and al-Qaida terrorist. A spokesman for Cheney did not return a call seeking comment.

Goss brought with him to the CIA four staff members from the House Intelligence Committee, which he led for nearly eight years ending in August. Since then, Kappes and Sulick have been involved in heated debates — some have described them as feuds — with those senior aides to Goss.

Sen. Jay Rockefeller, a West Virginia Democrat, said Goss' decision "to take with him several staff with reputations for partisanship was very troubling, and he now faces rumors of a partisan purge at the CIA."



Members of the uniformed division of the Secret Service guard FBI informant Mohamed Alanssi, who set himself on fire outside the White House fence on Monday.

FBI informant sets self afire near White House

2nd man jumps security fence in unrelated act

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A man who set himself afire near the White House was upset with the way he was being treated as an FBI informant, specifically complaining to The Washington Post about his inability to return to Yemen to visit his ill wife.

Mohamed Alanssi, 52, arrived at the White House gate just before 2 p.m. Monday with a letter addressed to President Bush. After talking briefly with uniformed Secret Service officers, he pulled a lighter from his pocket and set his clothing ablaze.

Although the officers, who had been alerted by the Post, acted quickly to extinguish the flames, emergency medical technicians said he suffered burns on his hands, neck and face.

In an unrelated incident, a different man jumped the fence on the north side of the White House grounds. Officers of the Secret Service's uniformed division apprehended the man shortly after 5 p.m., officials said. That incident is also under investigation.

Alanssi was taken to Washington Hospital Center for treatment of non-life-threatening injuries.

The Post reported that Alanssi, who also used the name Mohamed Alhadrami, had informed the newspaper of his plans early Monday. He told The Post by fax and telephone that he was "going to burn my body at unexpected place." He also faxed a letter to an FBI agent in New York who has had contact with him, the Post reported.

The paper said it alerted the New York agent about his contact with Alanssi and subsequently informed District of Columbia police when it learned from the man that he planned to set himself on fire outside the White House.

The paper said D.C. police subsequently alerted federal authorities with jurisdiction around the White House.

In 2003, Alanssi was the subject of a Washington Post story describing his role as an informant for the FBI, providing information on terrorist financiers in Yemen.

Alanssi, of Falls Church, Va., told the Post in recent interviews that he was upset because he could not travel to Yemen to visit his ailing wife, who has stomach cancer. He also said the FBI had not kept promises it made to him to secure his assistance.

Nevada lawmaker replaces Daschle

BY DAVID ESPO

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Senate Democrats are changing management, their ranks reduced to a 74-year low and their longtime leader defeated for re-election back home.

Sen. Harry Reid, a soft-spoken Nevanian, is moving in as leader of the shrunken minority, while Sen. Tom Daschle of South Dakota moves out after a decade as the party's chief spokesman and strategist on the Senate floor.

Reid's ascension was preordained at Tuesday's meeting of Senate Democrats, their ranks smaller by four following the Nov. 2 elections. Sen. Dick Durbin of Illinois, in line to succeed Reid as the party's second-ranking Senate leader, was also unopposed.

Reid, 64, takes command of a party that will have only 44 seats when the new Congress convenes in January, fewer than at any time since Herbert Hoover sat in the White House, according to records on the Senate's Web site.

With the exception of abortion rights and gun control, both of which he opposes, Reid's recent voting record on major issues puts him in the mainstream of Senate Democrats.

"My senators who support me know who I am. No one has to guess where I stand on issues," he said in a recent interview. "I'm going to do what I think is right."

New leader for Senate Dems

Sen. Harry Reid, 64, a Democrat from small-town Searchlight, Nev., was chosen by colleagues Tuesday to replace Sen. Tom Daschle as Senate minority leader.

Education — B.A., Utah State University, 1961; J.D., George Washington University, 1964

Experience — U.S. Senator, Nevada, 1970; Chairman of the Nevada Gaming Commission, 1977-82; U.S. Representative, 1982-86; U.S. Senator, 1986-present; Senate Minority Whip, 1998-present



Reid, a veteran of 22 years in Congress, voted against President Bush's tax cuts in 2001 and opposed the final version of the administration's landmark Medicare overhaul legislation in 2003.

Like a majority of Democrats, he voted to give Bush authority to use military force to oust Iraq's Saddam Hussein, and voted many months later to spend \$87 billion to help pay the costs of military actions in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Earlier this year, he helped battle up a proposed constitutional amendment to ban gay marriages, and sided with organized labor when it sought to make sure no worker lost overtime rights under new administration regulations.

He's also worked to block oil

drilling in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge.

He's been a loyal supporter of Democratic filibusters against 10 of Bush's judicial nominees deemed extremists by a coalition of civil rights, women's and other groups.

An early test of Reid's strategy is likely to come on judicial appointments, and already, there is some pressure on him to stay the course set by Daschle.

"I would think that Sen. Reid and a number of Democratic senators and hopefully some moderate Republicans this time would continue that strategy," said Ralph Nease, head of People for the American Way, which worked to block several of Bush's appointments to the courts.

Congress told of insurance scandals

BY DEVLIN BARRETT

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Congress should dig deeper into the burgeoning scandal within the insurance industry, a top investigator said Tuesday, claiming lawmakers will find a "Pandora's box" of unethical conduct.

New York Attorney General Eliot Spitzer, who recently launched an investigation of major insurance brokerages and accused one of the biggest of bid rigging and price fixing, told the Senate Governmental Affairs Committee that more revelations about bad practices are coming.

The scandal has led already to high-level resignations, employee layoffs and guilty pleas by some executives.

"There have been criminal pleas entered, there will be more criminal pleas entered very shortly," Spitzer said.

Connecticut Attorney General Richard Blumenthal told the committee that taxpayers may have paid excessive charges for property casualty, health and workers' compensation insurance that municipalities in his state felt powerless to challenge.

Blumenthal is insisting that state insurance laws, including Connecticut's, should be "reinvented and reinvigorated" to combat fraud, illegal steering and bid-rigging. He said any changes in federal regulations should not weaken the historic role of states in regulating the industry.

Insurance companies are supporting legislation that they say would create uniform, nationwide standards for the industry. State officials have expressed fears that whatever Congress writes will pre-empt and may be weaker than state regulation. Spitzer, who has also conducted high-profile probes of Wall Street investment firms and mutual fund companies, said Congress needs to take a harder look at the insurance industry.

Crash victim returns home

BY GENE JOHNSON
The Associated Press

SEATTLE — Laura Hatch remembers only praying and trying to break free from her car after it crashed down a ravine, leaving her severely injured and trapped for eight days.

Since returning home, she's been spending most of her time sleeping, talking with her twin sister and — like any teen concerned about her appearance — avoiding all but her closest friends.

The 17-year-old, who recently underwent complex reconstructive surgery, was expected to make a full recovery within months, her doctors said at a news conference Monday. She, however, did not speak publicly.

"She's done beautifully," she's going to lead a normal life," said Dr. Richard Ellenbogen, a neurosurgeon at Children's Hospital in Seattle. "She's as beautiful inside as she's going to be outside."

For eight days, no one knew where the teenager was following the Oct. 2 accident. She crashed her car 200 feet down a ravine after leaving a party in the east Seattle suburb of Redmond, where her family lives.

Relatives scarcely recognized her. Sheriff's deputies figured her for a runaway. Finally, a family friend, who said she was guided by vivid dreams, drove with her own daughter to the crash area and spotted the car.

Hatch was dehydrated, and her

Teen spent 8 days trapped in car



Laura Hatch's father, Todd, center, and twin sister, Amy, left, smile as Dr. Richard Ellenbogen describes Laura's recovery at Children's Hospital in Seattle on Monday. Laura spent eight days trapped in a car without food or water in early October.

right eye socket, cheekbone and nose were crushed.

Laura's father, Todd Hatch, said that she has no recollection of the accident or how it happened. He said she may have been drinking — there was underage drinking at the party — but "she seems incapable of telling me."

When she was rescued, she believed it was still the same day as the accident, he said. All she recalls of her first 10 days in a hospital is an IV being removed from her arm.

She also had a blood clot in her skull that meant Ellenbogen and Dr. Joseph Gruss, chief of plastic

and reconstructive surgery at Children's, could not operate until a month after the accident.

Ideally, such operations are conducted within about a week.

Hatch's bones had already begun to heal by the time of the operation, so after peeling away her muscle and skin, Gruss re-created the fractures using chisels and saws. Tiny titanium screws were used to set the bones.

The doctors also dealt with the blood clot and used bone from the outer layer of her skull to re-create her face.

Once her body heals, doctors say, Hatch will be able to do everything she'd done before, including playing soccer.



Hatch

Sharks threatened

NEW ORLEANS — The U.S. government on Monday proposed broad international measures to curb the slaughter of sharks in the Atlantic Ocean and encourage the study and preservation of threatened shark populations throughout the world.

The proposals include a ban on the practice known as shark finning, reduction of the number of fishing vessels that hunt sharks, collection of more data on shark populations and development of fishing nets that would not harm sharks.

DNA profiles delayed

WASHINGTON — Thousands of DNA profiles in unsolved criminal cases experience long delays before they are added to a national FBI database, jeopardizing their value in identifying suspected murderers, rapists and others, according to a Justice Department report Monday.

The report by Glenn A. Fine, the Justice Department's inspector general, identified more than 2,500 completed DNA profiles in unsolved cases that had not been added by state and local crime

labs to the FBI's Combined DNA Index System in a timely fashion.

Teen birth rate declines

ATLANTA — The birth rate among American girls ages 10 to 14 has fallen to its lowest level since 1946, the government reported Monday.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said the number of births among girls in this age group dropped 38 percent from 1994 to 2002 alone, even though the number of girls 10 to 14 climbed 16 percent.

Pfizer ads ordered off

WASHINGTON — The Food and Drug Administration ordered Pfizer Inc. to yank cheeky television ads that promised better sex for men taking Viagra because the ads failed to disclose known risks associated with the drug, according to a letter released Monday.

"Remember that guy who used to be called 'Wild Thing'?" the ads say as a middle-aged couple look in a lingerie store window. Later, blue horns sprout from the frisky man's head and the horns morph into the letter "V" of Viagra.

From The Associated Press

British maker of bird flu vaccine seeks inspection

BY DIEDRA HENDERSON
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Chiron Corp. has asked British regulators to inspect its facility producing an experimental bird flu vaccine to make sure it doesn't run into the same contamination problems that forced the closing of another plant and a flu shot crisis in the United States, a top U.S. health official said Monday.

The company was to have supplied half of the nation's flu vaccine this year. Its inability to do so was an issue in the presidential campaign, prompted government investigations, sparked a congressional inquiry and raised concerns about its production of the experimental bird flu vaccine.

The inspection of its second Liverpool facility, where 10,000 doses of bird flu vaccine are being produced for use in clinical trials, is expected to occur before Christmas.

"They asked to be inspected," said Dr. Anthony Fauci, director of the national Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases.

Asked whether U.S. officials would more aggressively inspect the plant, Fauci said, "I can't speak for the FDA," the Food and Drug Administration.

Chiron is one of two companies producing experimental bird flu vaccine. Aventis Pasteur also has received a federal contract to produce 8,000 pilot lots. More importantly, Aventis scored a government contract to produce 2 million doses of vac-

cine to treat the strain of bird flu blamed for killing 32 of the 44 humans infected in Thailand and Vietnam this year.

The preparations come in anticipation of the next flu pandemic.

Fauci told reporters on Monday that researchers don't expect that dire predicament this year. The bird flu, while lethal, has not proven agile in leaping from human to human. But a pandemic will eventually strike this nation, he said.

"We're due for it," he said.

His comments came during a wide-ranging National Institutes of Health round-table on new developments in influenza research.

Scientists are working on how such knowledge as developing a vaccine that would give long-term flu protection, eliminating the need for annual shots, and speedier ways to produce flu vaccine.

In addition, the government will try to predict the influenza virus's next moves by sequencing genomes for thousands of known human and bird flu viruses, a project that could help researchers understand how the flu constantly evolves.

Around the globe, the flu kills up to 500,000 people each year.

In the United States, the death toll in a typical year is 36,000, with 200,000 suffering severe enough infections to be hospitalized. The price tag of flu and pneumonia — one of the opportunistic ailments that afflict people weakened by the flu — is estimated at \$37.5 billion.

The preparations come in anticipation of the next flu pandemic.

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Rapper Snoop Dogg, center, watches from the stage Monday after a fight broke out in the audience at the Vibe Awards in Santa Monica, Calif. Snoop Dogg and Quincy Jones were presenting a special "Vibe Legend Award" to Dr. Dre when the fight started.



Fight breaks out at Vibe awards

The Associated Press

SANTA MONICA, Calif. — A fight broke out near the stage at the Vibe awards ceremony as rapper Snoop Dogg and producer Quincy Jones were preparing to honor Dr. Dre, and one person was stabbed, authorities and witnesses said.

Dozens of people sitting near the stage Monday inside a hangar at the Santa Monica airport began shoving each other as the show wound down about 7:30 p.m. News video showed chairs being thrown, punches flying and people chasing one another.

It was unclear if the stabbing preceded or followed the fight. The victim, a 26-year-old man, was taken to a hospital and was listed in stable condition. No arrests were made.

Witness Frank Williams said Dr. Dre was involved in the brawl. "I saw Dr. Dre fighting somebody," Williams told KCAL-TV. "I don't know if he was fighting back. But there was a guy taken out basically bloodied."

The Los Angeles Times, citing an unnamed associ-

ate of Dr. Dre, said the melee broke out as the hip-hop producer was waiting to receive the Vibe Legend Award. A man walked up to Dr. Dre's table and punched him, and Dr. Dre's bodyguards went after the man, the associate said.

Dr. Dre, who was scheduled to receive a award for his lifetime contributions to hip-hop, had not come on stage yet when the fight erupted.

Andrea Ferguson, employed by a public relations firm that worked with Vibe for the ceremony, called the incident a "disruption" but declined to provide details. She added the show was allowed to continue but it was halted for about five minutes.

Dr. Dre, Snoop Dogg and the late Tupac Shakur were among the artists signed to Suge Knight's Death Row Records during his height in the early 1990s. After leaving the label, Dr. Dre started Aftermath Records. When Knight was released in 2001 from a five-year prison term for assault and weapons violations, Dr. Dre obtained a court order to keep Knight away from him, The Times said. Knight was at the awards show.

Usher, OutKast win big at AMA

BY ALEX VEIGA

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Usher's year of astonishing success with the chart-topping, best-selling album "Confessions" culminated with a clutch of trophies at the 32nd annual American Music Awards.

The suave 26-year-old singer was honored Sunday with a leading four trophies, including favorite male soul-R&B artist, best pop-rock album, best pop-rock artist and best soul-R&B album.

"Thank you for this moment. Thank you for this year," said Usher, whose album sold more than 1 million copies in its debut week. "It's been amazing." Sunday's win underscores a host of awards Usher has received this year, positioning him to be a formidable factor in upcoming Grammy Award nominations.

It also was a good night for rap funsters OutKast, who brought home awards for favorite pop-rock band and favorite rap-hip-hop album for "Speakerboxx/The Love Below." They also won best rap-hip-hop group.

Still, not everyone left happy. Innovative rap newcomer Kanye West was shut out in all of his three nominations, including best new artist, which went to country singer Gretchen Wilson.

"I feel I was definitely robbed. ... I was the best new artist this year," West said backstage. "I don't know if I'll be back at this award show next year."

The ceremonies came as the rap world mourned O.D.B., the founding member of the Wu-Tang Clan, who collapsed and died Saturday at a New York recording studio, two days before his 36th birthday. OutKast's Big Boi paid tribute briefly to the late rapper. "Rest in peace, Ol' Dirty Bastard," Big Boi said. "We love you."

The ABC telecast from the

Shrine Auditorium was heavy on performances, some of them censored, although host Jimmy Kimmel and a few presenters got away with racy material.

Gwen Stefani, working without the band No Doubt, opened the show with "What You Waiting For?" and Lenny Kravitz followed with "Lady."

Usher performed "My Boo" with soul diva Alicia Keys, who won favorite female artist in the soul-R&B category, edging out Janet Jackson and Beyoncé.

Brooks & Dunn earned their fourth award for favorite country band. Toby Keith's won favorite country male artist and best country album for "Shock 'n' Roll."

Sheryl Crow won over Avril Lavigne and Jessica Simpson for favorite female pop-rock artist and also received the prize for adult contemporary artist. Rockers Linkin Park were favorite alternative music artist for the second year in a row.

In awards announced before the telecast, rapper Jay-Z won favorite male artist in the rap-hip-hop category. Marc Anthony won favorite Latin music artist, and the group MercyMe won best contemporary inspirational artist.

Kimmel poked fun at everything from pop music's lip-synching problem to a

40-year-old clip of the Beatles, but his favorite target was Anna Nicole Smith, whom she reported at turns disoriented and manic while introducing a song by West.

"I still think the best performance of the night was Anna Nicole Smith. I told her to stay away from Snoop Dogg's brownies," Kimmel quipped, referring to a show skit where the rapper and troubled singer Bobby Brown pretended to be selling "S100 brownies."

Nominees for the American Music Awards were checked on the basis of record sales, with winners selected by a survey of about 20,000 listeners.



AP photo

Above: Usher holds his four American Music Awards backstage Sunday at the 32nd annual American Music Awards at the Shrine Auditorium in Los Angeles. Below: Sheryl Crow received two awards.



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OPINION

Bush, Hu bring much baggage to meeting

Expect smiles all around when President Bush meets Chinese leader Hu Jintao later this week in Chile at the annual summit of Asian Pacific leaders.

Daniel Snieder



U.S.-China relations under Bush had a rocky start four years ago when Chinese aircraft forced the landing of an American spy plane.

But those tensions have largely faded in favor of partnership on a range of issues, from terrorism to North Korea's nuclear program.

"Now," a senior Asian diplomat told me, "Beijing feels comfortable with the Bush team."

While Beijing's comfort level has increased, however, the Chinese leadership is uneasy over the muscular unilateralism of American policy under Bush.

Those fears are mirrored in Washington. Worries about China's rise as a great power were subordinated in the aftermath of Sept. 11, 2001. But they have not gone away.

A small window onto the tension beneath the smiles opened up just before the U.S. election. A few days before the vote, the English-language China Daily published an unusually frank critique of the U.S. role in the world, penned by China's elder statesman, Qian Qichen.

Qian portrayed the United States as an empire off course, eager to use force, overextended, arrogant and headed for demise. The United States, he wrote, is using its anti-terror campaign to tighten control over the Middle East, Central Asia, Southeast and Northeast Asia. These moves "have made it obvious that the United States has not changed its Cold War mentality and that the country is still accustomed to applying military means to deal with various threats, visible or invisible."

The document made its way to the White House, where it was read as an indirect endorsement and anticipation of the victory of Sen. John Kerry. President Bush was enraged, according to a senior administration official. Secretary of State Colin Powell called in the Chinese ambassador to formally complain.

The status of the author suggested that "this was not a case of one person making a bad call," the official told me. Qian is the architect

of China's foreign policy from the late 1980s through 2002, when he retired as vice premier. He remains a powerful influence, a man who has direct access to American and Chinese leaders.

Chinese officials told the Bush administration that the timing of the publication of the article was unintended. According to Chinese sources active in reform circles of the ruling Communist Party, Qian's article was first published on Oct. 18 in *Study Weekly*, a magazine for training high-level party cadres. A week later it appeared on major Chinese-language Web sites. Then *China Daily*, a government paper aimed at a foreign audience, published it.

My Chinese party sources accuse the Americans of being "too sensitive" to criticism. The Europeans have been much more critical of Bush policy than China, one told me. Americans need to understand that China is a more pluralized society where all sorts of opinions are expressed. After all, he points out, in democracies such as India and South Korea, "there are many voices against American unilateralism and the war in Iraq."

But some U.S. officials see Qian's views reflected in quiet efforts to expand Chinese influence and to counter American dominance. "They are getting a lot of traction in Asia and in certain Eu-



ropean circles where there is broad and wide ambivalence about the U.S. now," the senior official says.

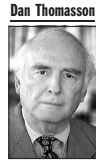
As an example, the Chinese rushed in to embrace the Philippines after that U.S. ally decided to withdraw its forces from Iraq. Among other things, they proposed an intelligence-sharing relationship between the Chinese Peoples Liberation Army and the Philippine military, an offer that alarmed U.S. officials.

When Hu meets Bush, the talk is likely to center more on Taiwan, where China wants the United States to crush the pro-independence ambitions of Taiwanese leader Chen Shui-bian. Terrorism and trade issues will no doubt be discussed as well. But as is often the case in this complex relationship, if you want to know what is going on, you need to look beneath the smiles.

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Internal squabbles limit CIA's ability to improve

WASHINGTON
That's just a fact. It says weapons of mass destruction where there weren't any. It failed to warn domestic agencies, namely the FBI, about suspicious figures who ultimately were involved in 9/11. Its resources in the Arab-speaking world where they were needed the most have been so bad it never has been able to pinpoint the whereabouts of Osama bin Laden. It believed that Iraqi citizens would welcome Americans with open arms. Can anyone spell insurgency and Fallujah?



Now, at the most crucial time since the end of the Cuban missile crisis, its mission is being further eroded and disrupted by an all-out squabble in the Directorate of Operations, the tail that wags the much larger dog.

The warfare, according to reports, stems from unhappiness of Directorate of Operations veterans over changes being made by former Rep. Porter Goss, R-Fla., who succeeded George Tenet as overall agency chief. Resignations have come from the deputy director and probably will from other top personnel. Morale is said to be declining rapidly.

Is it any wonder then that there is growing support for tearing up things and beginning again — which Congress, in effect, has taken a step toward in pending legislation that would create a new overall central intelligence director with budgetary authority over the activities of both the CIA and the

FBI? The next move logically would be to create a brand new agency modeled after Britain's MI5 with both domestic and foreign intelligence responsibilities, although that will be some time off.

The latest CIA problem is one that President Bush probably inadvertently brought about with his appointment of Goss. A one-time employee of the agency and chairman of the House committee on intelligence, Goss seemed a good choice despite complaints of partisanship. He may understand agency needs, but apparently he has trouble making changes without causing chaos, if that isn't too harsh a word. He reportedly is relying on personnel, some with CIA backgrounds, who came with him from Capitol Hill and who have ruffled the feathers of agency veterans.

Goss, meanwhile, has refused to listen personally to complaints or advice, if these stories are accurate. Ironically, Louis Freeh made the same mistake when he took over the FBI. He brought with him a cadre of outsiders who angered bureau veterans, and he

ended up being considered by many the worst of the bureau's directors since the death of J. Edgar Hoover. ... One would have thought an elected official with Goss's experience would have understood the political subtleties needed in handling the long-time operations.

No matter who is to blame for this nonsense, which includes damaging leaks to the press, James Woolsey, a former CIA director appearing on television on Sunday, was correct in his assessment that the agency needs to put it aside and go on with the business of trying to protect the nation from another terrorist disaster. Americans should be outraged at even the suggestion that personnel matters and personality disputes and power struggles are being put above their safety. As their supreme representative, Bush needs to intervene.

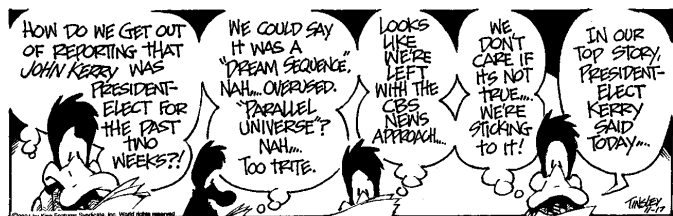
Over the decades the CIA has been assaulted by any number of reformers who seemed to cling to the notion that gentlemen don't read other gentlemen's mail. That silly stance, of course, was put to rest once and

for all by 9/11. The super-clean concept of national intelligence gathering was first proposed and then imposed on the agency by the misguided former Sen. Frank Church of Idaho. Church's Senate hearings ultimately resulted in demonizing the CIA and virtually destroying human resources in favor of satellite surveillance in key areas like the Middle East. It has no place in today's realities.

If the agency is to convince Americans that it is populated with mature men and women and not boys and girls playing spy, its top personnel must end the internal conflict. If Goss can't bring this about in an orderly fashion, the man who appointed him should look for someone who can. Perhaps better yet, it may be time to really reform the way we gather intelligence. In some ways, the House- and Senate-passed bills to establish a new intelligence directorate being considered by a conference committee are a start, but the current strife inside the agency indicates much more is needed.

Dan Thomason is former editor of the Scripps Howard News Service.

Mallard Fillmore



BY BRUCE TINSLEY

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TINSLEY

YOUR MONEY

Old Dell may need cleanup

Q. My 4½-year-old Dell Pentium III running Windows 98 eventually freezes every time I use it. Sometimes hitting Control + Alt + Delete frees it, but more and more I have to shut off the power at the surge protector, which I know isn't the best way to turn off a computer.

There are no games on my PC nor any shareware. I run Norton AntiVirus 2003 and Spybot as scheduled tasks every week, and they've never found any problems other than low- and medium-risk cookies.

Any suggestions as to the problem? — David Hatcher, Denver

A. Like computer columnists, computers tend to bog down and get cranky the older they get. It is too bad columnists don't have a system restore disc, Mr. H., because that's what your venerable Dell needs after 4½ years of online work and other labors.

Dell includes these CDs with its Pentium III models to allow customers who get in trouble to restore the software to its original condition. This requires one to boot up all data, because the hard drive will be reformatted.

In the best of all worlds, that's what you should do.

But I also know that many folks hate to even think of giving their computer a brain transplant, so let me suggest some less draconian but probably helpful fixes.

Start by eradicating all of the temporary Internet applications you have collected over those 54 months of online computer travel. These "applets" handle thousands of tasks, like making Web page graphics blank and flash and sizzle, tracking your various preferences and much more. The longer you use a computer, the more these memory magnets build up. The buttons are easy all this stuff are near the cookies that you mention in your note.

So click on Tools in the Internet Explorer browser

and then Internet Options. In the menu this summarizes, select the General tab and then click on the buttons there for Delete Files and for Delete Cookies.

After all those years you can expect a lot of hard-drive churning and cursor spinning as this clogging stuff is given a dose of digital Drano.

Next, you need to get rid of all of the stuff that various programs have insinuated onto your startup routines — things like icons for Real Jukebox, Apple's QuickTime movie player and a whole lot of other stuff. Click on Start, then Run and type in msconfig to launch the Microsoft system configuration control panel.

There you will find a tab called Startup. Open it and look at all of the boxes with check marks in the display. Remove the checks from anything that sounds suspicious.

When you reboot after doing these three things, you will find a marked speedup.

The final step is to run the Windows hard drive defragmentation tool. You can get it by clicking on Start and then Programs and then Accessories and System Tools.

But you should first put your computer into what is called Safe Mode so that none of the regular background processes your computer uses will interfere as the defragment tool attempts to write things to the hard drive.

The Safe Mode is engaged using different keys on different Windows 98 machines and by the F8 key with Windows XP. So check your manual or try the likely suspects.

First, hold down the Control key as the computer boots. If that doesn't bring up Safe Mode, try the Enter key or the F3 key. Then do the defrag, and when you reboot, things will be much better.

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Ask Jim

Jim Coates

Tax change curbs car donators' cut

BY TOM INCANTALUPO

Newsday

To more than 4,000 of the United States' largest charities, donated cars are sometimes a major source of income.

To lawmakers such as Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, they represent a widely abused income tax loophole.

Charities watch things to stay as they are, with hundreds of thousands of donors each year able to deduct the "fair market" value of the donated car — in essence the amount the car would fetch in a private party sale.

But earlier this year, Grassley, who chairs the Senate's Finance Committee, got his way and, effective with donations made after Jan. 1, the tax law will change so that donors can deduct no more than \$500 or what the car actually fetches at an auction, where charities often sell the cars. The amount is usually about half the fair market value, says spokeswoman Robyn Eckhard of the Kelley Blue Book.

Timothy Series, Grassley said on his Web site, "ends the shady practice of a donor giving a junker car to charity and claiming thousands of dollars for it as a deduction on his income tax." And he said, "The reforms will place no additional burden on the donor, will not reduce the amount going to charities from a donated car by a dime and will benefit all taxpayers by ending this abuse."

Charities disagree — to say the least.

"This legislation will be a huge disincentive for donating their vehicles," said a statement from the Volunteers of America, the non-profit group based in Virginia that provides help for the poor, abused and neglected children, homeless individuals and families, the elderly and people with disabilities. The group gets about 80,000 cars a year and nets more than \$10 million from them.

Ron Field, the group's vice president for public policy, said the change will make it more financially attractive for many prospective car donors to sell the cars — especially the late-model cream puffs — rather than donate them for reduced write-off. "Therein lies our problem," he said. "We expect to lose about half of our [auto donation] income because most of our income comes from the better cars."

At North Shore Animal League in Port Washington, N.Y., Gene Gallagher, director of major gifts, said car donations total about \$30,000 or \$40,000 a year and that, while accounting for a small percentage of the \$24 million in annual contributions to the group, it's money that's needed. "It saves hundreds of dogs and cats and that's critical to our missions. It's what we're all about," Gallagher said.

Bob Glasser, of Port Washington, said that, had the new rules been in effect two years ago, he probably would have thought twice about donating an eight-year-old 1997 BMW. The figures were worth more than \$10,000 despite a major engine defect. "I probably could have found a junkyard that would have given me more," said Glasser, an accountant.

Some recent donors, though, said that, even if the deductions are smaller, donations remain an important part of their giving. One is Bank of New York vice president Christine Tamney, of North Babylon, who recently, with her husband, donated a 1991 Oldsmobile Bravada sport utility vehicle with about 120,000 miles on its odometer.

In recent running condition, the Bravada is worth at least \$2,000, according to the widely used National Automobile Dealers Association's used car guide.

"When we took a look at the cost of repairs to get it up and running," she said, "it just wasn't worth it to us."

MONDAY'S MARKET SUMMARY

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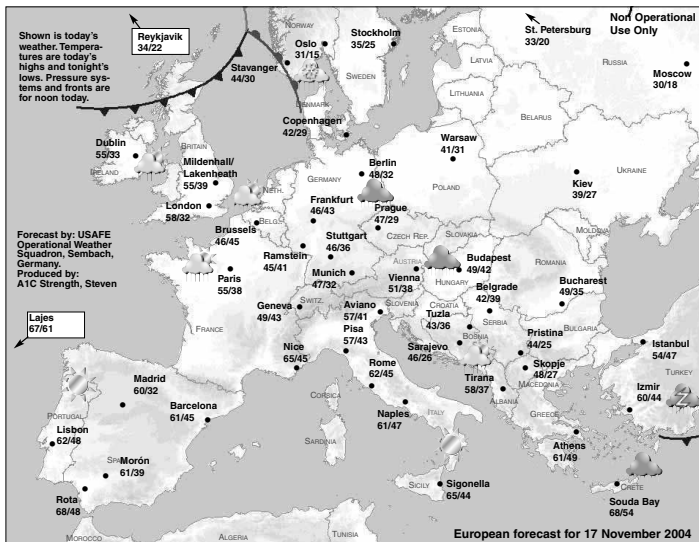
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Northern	63,904	+1.18
Alcan	59,959	+0.49
Puritan	29,814	+2.77
Merck	29,714	+7.89
General	29,444	+1.13
United	21,627	+0.79
Lockhart	19,123	+0.25
Amgen	14,017	+2.58
Genzyme	14,146	+0.18

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Alliant Techsystem			61.56	+2.0	+3.28	+10.0
Airbus Holdings			42.36	+0.4	+0.91	+61.0
Boeing		80	164.50	+1.0	+0.61	+28.2
Computer Systems		80	54.50	+0.9	+1.65	+34.1
Computer Sup Sys		64	54.03	+0.8	+1.48	+29.4
General Dynamics	1.44	19	108.11	+0.8	+0.74	+19.6
General Electric		80	34.10	+0.5	+1.45	+6.5
Harris Corp		50	37.01	+0.7	+1.89	+10.0
Harris Corp		48	65.87	+2.8	+4.26	+73.6
Alfred Signal		72	36.18	+0.4	+1.11	+8.2
L-3 Communications		40	71.36	+0.6	+0.85	+38.9
Lockheed Martin	1.80	12	34.10	+0.1	+0.29	+4.3
Northrop	52	20	55.19	+0.5	+0.91	+5.5
Raytheon		44	38.69	+1.0	+2.58	+28.8
Rockwell Int		66	45.30	+0.5	+1.10	+27.2
Seiq Corp		36	29.55	+0.5	+1.69	+20.0
Textron Instruments		10	24.82	+1.3	+5.25	+15.5
Texas Instruments	1.30	31	71.12	+0.8	+1.12	+34.6



EUROPEAN FORECAST

Benelux: Cloudy with rain showers. Highs in the mid 40s, Thursday's lows in the mid to upper 40s.

Britain, Ireland: Cloudy with rain showers. Highs in the mid to upper 50s, Thursday's lows in the 30s.

Croatia and Bosnia: Mostly cloudy with dense fog in the morning. Highs in the upper-30s, lows in the mid 30s.

France: Mostly cloudy rain showers in the north and Sunny in the south. Highs in the mid 60s, lows in the upper 30s.

Northern Germany: Cloudy with rains. Highs in the upper 40s, lows in the mid-30s.

Southern Germany: Cloudy with rain showers. Highs in the upper 40s, lows in the low to mid 30s.

Hungary: Cloudy with rain showers. Highs in the upper 40s, lows in the low 40s.

Northern Italy: Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid to upper 50s, lows in the lower 40s.

Southern Italy: Sunny. Highs in the upper 60s, lows in the lower 40s.

Kosovo: Mostly cloudy. Highs in the mid-30s, lows in the mid-30s.

Norway: Mostly cloudy with isolated rain/snow showers. Highs in the mid 30s, lows in the mid teens.

Portugal, Spain: Sunny. Highs in the mid to upper 60s, lows in the 30s.

Turkey: Mostly cloudy with isolated thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 70s, lows in the upper 40s.

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SUN & MOON

	Today	Tomorrow
Sunrise (Baghdad)	6:34am	6:36am
Sunrise (Frankfurt)	7:41am	7:42am
Sunset (Baghdad)	5:00pm	5:00pm
Sunset (Frankfurt)	4:40pm	4:35pm

	Nov 12	Nov 19	Nov 26	Nov 3
New moon				
First of				
Full moon				
Last of				

AFRICA

	HI	LO		HI	LO
Cape Town	73	61	Mogadishu	85	75
Dakar	88	76	Nairobi	77	59
Freetown	89	76	Rabat	68	49
Kinshasa	86	71	Tripoli	71	52

THE WORLD

	HI	LO		HI	LO
Amsterdam	56	36	Manila	88	74
Bahram	87	68	Mexico City	71	45
Beijing	55	31	Montreal	44	39
Beirut	72	61	Riyadh	90	64
Bermuda	70	61	Rio de Jan	83	71
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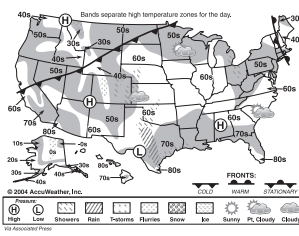
TODAY'S STATESIDE OUTLOOK

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Arkansas	50	28	City
California	57	44	City
Colorado	57	44	City
Connecticut	57	44	City
Delaware	57	44	City
District of Columbia	57	44	City
Florida	57	44	City
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Surfer escape

CA EUREKA — A surfer who was bumped off his board by a shark was able to push the animal away and paddle back to shore.

Brian Kang, 38, was 200 yards offshore Thursday, waiting for a wave in a popular surfing area near Eureka, when the shark knocked him into the water. The shark came back toward him as he tried to climb back onto the surfboard.

"It just came out of the blue," Kang said from his hospital bed, where he was being treated for gashes on his hip, knees and thumb. "I pushed it away with my hands."

Kang said he never got a good look at the shark, but another surfer spotted a 3-foot dorsal fin, which would indicate a great white shark.

It was the second shark attack along California's northern shore in recent months.

Apartment fire kills four

LA HARVEY — Four people died following a fire at an apartment complex in this New Orleans suburb and authorities said that some of the victims had non-fire related injuries.

A person was being detained by homicide investigators for questioning, but authorities refused to divulge any details.

A 30-year-old woman, an 11-year-old boy and a 1-year-old girl were dead at the scene. A 17-year-old girl was pronounced dead on arrival at a hospital, while a 10-year-old boy was hospitalized with burns.

Fortunato said the woman, the 17-year-old girl and the 11-year-old boy had injuries apparently not related to the fire. He refused to discuss specifics. He also said investigators were questioning one person.

Doctrine of theft

MN WILLMAR — After its last pastor allegedly balked them out of \$10,000, leaders of Rejoice Ministries church thought they were being extra careful when they hired James Poole.

Still reeling from the theft, they asked Poole to come to the church and preach in a letter of caution to ensure Poole was legitimate before hiring him.

"He did a good service," church secretary Mary Steffens told The West Central Times of Willmar for a story in Saturday's paper. "I will give him credit for that."

Poole was hired in August, but less than a month later, he allegedly shipped town without repaying \$3,344 he "borrowed" from the church for rent, trips, even a new bathtub, Steffens said.

Church officials later learned that Poole — whose real name authorities believe is Jerry Andrews — had served jail time for writing bad checks and credit card theft.

Rejoice's congregation of 12 is now trying to decide whether to look for a new pastor or just shut down.

A walk through the hood

PA PITTSBURGH — State education officials rejected a request by parents and school administrators to help pay for buses so children would not have to walk through a crime-ridden neighbor-



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hood.

Pittsburgh Superintendent John Thompson asked state officials in a letter to designate some of the routes children walk to Homewood Elementary School as hazardous because eight people were shot within blocks of the school in a recent week.

Thompson sought two buses to ferry students to and from the school. More than half the school's 422 students walk to class.

But officials turned down the request, explaining that state law only allows the Department of Education to pay for buses if traffic, not crime, makes walking dangerous.

White-collar drug dealer

TN A Tennessee physician who launched a massive prescription drug fraud ring to support his own addictions racked up a 28-month prison term this week.

The punishment — dished out by U.S. District Court Senior Judge Leon Jordan — represented a nearly 50 percent break from what Dr. Christopher Castle, 48, had faced. "It reflects Dr. Castle's recognition of his responsibility for his criminal actions as well as his recognition of his co-conspirators' (crimes)," Assistant U.S. Attorney Hugh Ward told Jordan.

Castle pleaded guilty in May 2003 to conspiring with at least four other people in a prescription fraud scheme that involved more than 30,000 pills — many of which that wound up sold on the street



A day on the water

A group of sea kayakers gather on the Tennessee River for an all-day event, a fundraiser for the River Gorge Land Trust, in Chattanooga, Tenn.

and even inside a state prison, records showed.

Court records show that Castle's medical practice went spiraling out of control with his addiction to Adderall pills containing amphetamine. That addiction led to a conspiracy in which Castle began writing prescriptions for his co-conspirators for painkillers including OxyContin, hydrocodone and Adderall.

Guacamole traffic jam

CA What all of the commuters on Highway 118 through California's Simi Valley needed Wednesday were some chips and salsa, and they would have been set.

A tractor-trailer truck carrying 75,000 pounds of avocados overturned on the freeway, blocking two lanes and snarling rush-hour traffic, authorities said.

The truck was heading west on the highway when it swerved to avoid a car and the driver lost control, California Highway Patrol Officer Tom Costigan said.

The semi landed on its right side, blocking two lanes and the shoulder. The large quantity of produce and the size of the truck made moving the semi and cargo difficult, Costigan said.

Bad senior care

NY ALBION — A judge sentenced a retired woman former caretaker on Monday to 1½ years in prison for stealing money from her.

Susan Standish Hare, 40, formerly of Medina, was convicted in August of burglary, grand larceny, criminal possession of stolen property and forgery.

Hare was accused of stealing \$75,000 from a Lyndonville woman in the summer of 2003 and depositing it in a bank account she set up for herself.

Highway deaths up

AL MONTGOMERY — State troopers say the 657 fatalities in accidents this year has surpassed last year's total of 576 deaths.

A rash of 12 deaths the first three days of November drew attention to Alabama's growing highway death toll. Of this year's deaths, 275 occurred on county roads.

City may tax cell phones

OR PORTLAND — City commissioners will discuss this week a new tax that would impose a 5 percent fee on cell phones, call waiting, caller ID and phone calls placed using the Internet and other telecom services. The tax would add \$2 to a \$40 monthly cell phone bill and collect an estimated \$6 million a year.

GOP lands big spot

GA ATLANTA — Republicans in the Georgia House chose Rep. Glenn Richardson as the state's first GOP speaker since Reconstruction.

Hours later, party switches by two legislators elected as Democrats allowed the Republicans to claim their 98th seat in the 198-member chamber, even votes more than a majority. The GOP took a Senate majority two years ago.



Pin down that pig

Children scramble to capture a greased pig in an effort to win \$10 in prize money at the downtown Collinsville, Ala., Turkey Trot festival.



Explosive demo

A B-25 Mitchell bomber flies over Nellis Air Force Base during a D-Day re-enactment at the Aviation Nation air show in Las Vegas.

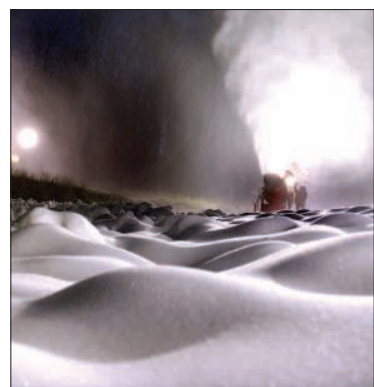


Hungry monkey

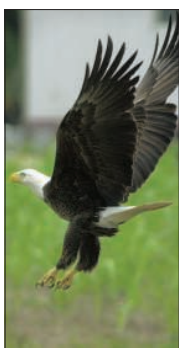
Poppy, a 14-year-old female squirrel monkey, eats a worm as her newborn, named Mimikey, sleeps on her back at the Oakland Zoo in Oakland, Calif.



Rain can't stop paving A work crew paves a black top during rainy weather on the state parking lot between the War Memorial and Statehouse in Trenton, N.J.



Man-made flurries The snow machines were up and running at the Granite Peak Ski Area in Wausau, Wisconsin.



Spreading its wings An American eagle takes to flight after feasting on an armadillo that was killed off the side of road near Gibson, La.



Taking a breather Cross country runner Buddy Davis, 19, catches his breath following a training run that ended during a brief snow fall in Flagstaff, Ariz.

New kids' hospital

IN SOUTH BEND — Memorial Hospital plans to build a children's medical center that could save families from having to travel to Chicago or Indianapolis for specialty care, officials said. The hospital has hired a project consultant who has worked on expansions at children's hospitals across the United States.

Officials hope to have a complete plan by late 2005.

Historical designation

DE LEWES — The portion of Cape Henlopen State Park once known as Fort Miles has been listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The designation enhances efforts to preserve and restore the site, including its observation towers, bunkers and dozens of buildings. Fort Miles was used by the military during World War II and turned over to the state 40 years ago.

Mass transit price hike

GA ATLANTA — Atlanta's mass transit system wants to double to \$3.50 the fare for trains leaving Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport. MARTA general manager Nathaniel Ford said the increase could raise \$2 million a year for a system faced with cutting service and using \$30 million from a reserve fund to meet costs. If city and airport officials agree, the higher fare could begin next year.

Gas-and-go no more

ID TWIN FALLS — The City Council took action against drive-off gasoline thefts. At the request of retailers, it passed an ordinance requiring all cash customers to pay before pumping.

Stations failing to enforce prepayment could be fined. Police have fielded 210 reports of drive-off thefts this year. Retailers say they report only a fifth of the incidents.

Amish driver's ed

PA LANCASTER — The Lancaster Highway Safety Council introduced a driver's manual for Amish horse-and-buggy operators.

The Amish Community Safety Committee and the state Transportation Department have been working on the manual for nearly three years.

Its publication came just days after an Amish man died in a horse-drawn cart accident in Perry County.

Coal creates jobs

WV CHARLESTON — Increased coal mining and an improving national economy are expected to create 4,500 jobs a year in West Virginia through 2009, according to a West Virginia University study. The study also predicts that per-capita income will rise from \$23,383 to \$26,449. However, manufacturing job losses are expected to continue.

High rollers welcome

KS PARK CITY — The Park City Council voted 7-1 to pursue an Indian casino they said would create between 1,300 and

1,500 permanent new jobs in the community a few miles north of Wichita.

The casino plan calls for a hotel and a youth activities area that could feature a theme park and other attractions. The city and the Iowa Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska need federal and state approval for the casino.

HIV spreader convicted

WA OLYMPIA — A man was convicted by a judge Monday on charges he deliberately exposed 17 women to HIV by having unprotected sex with them. Five of the women have tested positive for the virus, which causes AIDS.

Anthony E. Whitfield, 32, faces a minimum sentence of 137 years in prison on the 17 counts of first-degree assault with sexual motivation and other charges.

Health officials said as many as 170 people may have been exposed to the virus because of Whitfield's actions, counting subsequent partners of women he had sex with. No additional people have tested positive for HIV, but 45 refused to be tested or couldn't be found.

Keeping their cash

RI PROVIDENCE — Gov. Don Carcieri's administration said its fiscal reform plan has already saved the state \$55 million.

The state has recovered money on everything from telephone services to stepped-up tax collections, although the governor's office acknowledges a large portion of the \$55 million figure is based on expected savings through the end of the fiscal year and beyond.

The largest amount — \$25 million — is the amount the administration claims they will save with the recent award of a new three-year contract for state employee health insurance to UnitedHealthcare, according to The Providence Journal.

"Tails" wins council seat

FL GROVELAND — The state that is the king of bizarre election finishes added another page to its quirky electoral history Friday in city council race decided by a coin toss.

G.P. Sloan, 77, and Richard Flynn, 75, each received 689 votes in the Nov. 2 election. No one emerged a winner after two recounts, so the candidates and three dozen supporters gathered for a coin flip Friday in the community center of this town of 4,400 residents located 25 miles west of Orlando.

The city manager flipped a bi-centennial dollar coin, and Flynn shouted "Heads." City manager Jason Yarbrough caught it and flipped it on to the back of his hand. "Tails it is," Yarbrough said, giving Sloan the victory.

"This is a very unusual occurrence in this day and age when we have such sophisticated mechanisms to vote on, such as a touch-screen computerized voter system," said Mayor Connie Fleetwood. "We've come down to a coin toss."

Florida law provides that candidates "draw lots" to determine a winner in the event of a tie. County election supervisors can determine the method of drawing lots, and Lake County in the past has used a coin toss.

Stories and photos from wire reports

Updated sports listings are available on the first Scoreboard page in the sports section or AFN's Web site at <http://myafn.dodmedia.osd.mil>

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9:00	Stanley's Ready Trick!	Movie *** ** Waving Or Say: The Delany Sisters' First	Dr. Phil	Jeopardy!	Nightline	Sports	36-Minute Meals	Jeopardy!
9:30	Sagwa-Siamese Cat	100 Years* (1999) Drama/Di-	9:45 Oprah Winfrey	ESPNews	Highly Suspense Report		Food 911	Headline News
10:00	Arthur "Background Blues"	100 Years* (1999) Drama/Di-	(33) Guiding Light	Advisory Board	Hardball With Chris Matthews		Sensible Choice	ESPNews
10:30	Between the Lions (E)			The Parkers "You Fall"	CNN Daybreak		Fashion File	Headline News
11:00	Sagwa-Siamese Cat	10:45 Movie *** ** There's	17:17 General Hospital	The Parkers "You Fall"	Arrested Development		E News Live	The Parkers "You Fall"
11:30	Stanley	1998, Comedy) Comedian Diaz	Headline News	Arrested Development	The O'Reilly Factor		The King of Queens	Arrested Development
12:00	Dora the Explorer	Bill Clinton, Ben Satter.	Headline News	America's Next Top Model			That '70s Show	America's Next Top Model
12:30	The Wiggles		Judge Judy			SportsCenter	Girlfriends	
13:00	Bob the Builder	Movie *** ** The First Wives	Today: Renee Zellweger, Clay	Las Vegas "The Strange Life of	Good Morning America		Charmed "Paige From My	Las Vegas "The Strange Life of
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14:00	Blues' Clues	Three women take revenge af-	Pacific Report	The Tonight Show			Ally McBeal "Saving Santa"	Pacific Report
14:30	Barney & Friends (E)	ter their husbands don't return.	Headline News		Headline News		Any Day Now "The Outsiders"	The Tonight Show
15:00	Funtastic Home Videos	2:25) Movie *** ** The Last of	Sylvester & Tweety	Headline News	Headline News		ER "It Be Home for Christmas"	Headline News
15:30	Full House "Shape Up"	the Mobsters" (1982, Adventure)	Buzz Lightyear of Star	Late Show	Channel One			Late Show
16:00	Pokemon	Barrel Day/Less, Mackenzie,	Family OddParents	Access Hollywood	The Emmy Show Holiday se-			Access Hollywood
16:30	Yo-Yo! (E)	sons, Russell Means.	Headline News	Headline News	NFL Live	SportsCenter	Law & Order "Burned"	Headline News
17:00	AAahh! Real Monsters	Inside the Actors Studio	Jeopardy!	The Late Show			The Simpsons	The Late Show
17:30	Rocket Power "In-line skating"	James Gandolfini.	Headline News		FOX News	Sports	Everybody Loves Raymond	Dennis Miller
18:00	SpongeBob SquarePants	Coming Attractions	ESPNews				The Amazing Race	Countdown With Keith Ober-
18:30	Short Movies	Entertainment Tonight	AFN Evening News	Dennis Miller	Headline News			Entertainment Studios.com
19:00	Even Stevens	Movie *** ** "Galaxy Quest"	The Parkers "You Fall"		Headline News			The Hot List
19:30	Kenan & Kel	(1999, Comedy) Tim Allen, Ac-	Arrested Development	Countdown With Keith Ober-	Headline News			Headline News
20:00	Gilmore Girls "Paris is Burn-	ing from an old sci-fi TV series	America's Next Top Model	FOX News	NBA Inside Stuff			Headline News
20:30	Degrassi: Next	are kidnapped by aliens.			NBA Inside Stuff			Headline News
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22:00	The Cosby Show	Chinese gaud arrives in 1981	Headline News	Headline News	The Hot List			Headline News
22:30	Home Improvement	Wu's to rescue a princess.	The Tonight Show	Headline News	Arround the Horn			Headline News
23:00	Touched by an Angel "Amaz-	ing Grace" (Part 1 of 2)	Movie *** ** Say Any-	Late Show	Pardon the Interruption			Headline News
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00:00	Hey Arnold! Boys go fishing	01:00) Movie *** ** Say	11:30) Late Show	Play With Me Seame	Headline News	SportsCenter	Late Night	Play With Me Seame
00:30	Rocket Power	Anything... (1989) Joe Stry	Access Hollywood	Bear in the Big Blue House	NBC Nightly News			Bear in the Big Blue House
01:00	SpongeBob SquarePants	12:59 Movie *** ** "North Da-	Sports	Play With Me Seame	ABC World News Tonight		The Amazing Race	Play With Me Seame
01:30	Reggie & Kyle "Crazy Attraction"	ng the North Pole. The	Headline News	Wheel of Fortune	SBS Evening News	NBA Shootaround		Play With Me Seame
2:00	Even Stevens	teasing girdon stars pay a pri-	Dr. Phil	Countdown With Keith Ober-	Headline News	NBA Basketball Teams to Be		Dr. Phil
2:30	Kenan & Kel	ce or paying too much.	Headline News		Hannity & Colmes	Announced, (Live)		Tratantulas and Their Ven-
3:00	Gilmore Girls "Paris is Burn-	ing *** ** "Galaxy Quest"	Oprah Winfrey	Headline News	NBC Nightly News	NBA Basketball Teams to Be		Oprah Winfrey
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5:00	Seame Street (E)	4:57) Movie *** ** "Shangha-	Headline News	Headline News	Jeopardy!	NBA Basketball Teams to Be		Tratantulas and Their Ven-
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6:30	Dragon Tales (E)	Wu's to rescue a princess.	Headline News	Headline News	Jeopardy!	NBA Basketball Teams to Be		Tratantulas and Their Ven-
7:00	Bob the Builder	Inside the Actors Studio	Headline News	Headline News	Jeopardy!	NBA Basketball Teams to Be		Tratantulas and Their Ven-
7:30	The Wiggles	James Gandolfini.	Headline News	Headline News	Jeopardy!	NBA Basketball Teams to Be		Tratantulas and Their Ven-
8:00	Dora the Explorer "Louder"	Coming Attractions	Headline News	Head				
8:30	Stanley "Seasty Awful"	Movie *** ** "No Greater Lov-	Headline News	Headline News	Nightline	NBA Basketball Teams to Be		Headline News
9:00	Sagwa-Siamese Cat	(1999, Drama) Kelly Rutherford,	Headline News	Headline News	Nightline	NBA Basketball Teams to Be		Headline News
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10:00	Arthur (E)	Chris Sarandon.	9:45) Oprah Winfrey	ESPNews	Hardball With Chris Matthews		30-Minute Meals	Jeopardy!
10:30	Between the Lions (E)	1:45) Movie *** ** The Elec-	(33) Guiding Light	Advisory Board			Design on a Dime	ESPNews
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14:00	Blues' Clues	Drama) Merril Streep, Jeremy	Pacific Report	The Tonight Show			Any Day Now "It's a Mother-	Late Show
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15:00	Funtastic Home Videos	and off-screen lives intermingle	Headline News	The Legend of farzan	Headline News	SportsCenter	Law & Order "Ritual"	The Late Show
15:30	Full House "One Last Ride"	18) Movie *** ** Throw	Late Show	AAahh! Real Monsters	Late Show		Everybody Loves Raymond	Dennis Miller
16:00	Pokemon	Moons From the Train" (1987)	Headline News	AAahh! Real Monsters	Late Show		Summerland "Fireworks"	Countdown With Keith Ober-
16:30	Yo-Yo! (E)	Danny DeVito, Billy Crystal.	In the Mix	Headline News	Access Hollywood	Totally NASCAR		Entertainment Studios.com
17:00	AAahh! Real Monsters	Screen Play	Jeopardy!	Headline News	Headline News	SportsCenter	The Late Show	The Hot List
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19:00	That's So Raven	Movie *** ** "Big Daddy" (1999)	Headline News	Headline News	Headline News		The Practice "Sm'l Sacrifices"	Entertainment Studios.com
19:30	All That	Comedy) Adam Sandler. A	Headline News	Headline News	Headline News			The Hot List
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20:30		impressible young woman.	Headline News	Headline News	Headline News			Headline News
21:00	Sabrina, the Teenage Witch	8:48) Movie *** ** Star Trek	C/S: Crime Scene Investigation	The Hot List	Headline News			Headline News
21:30	Sabrina, the Teenage Witch	Nemesis" (2002) Patrick Stev-	Suckers'	Headline News	Headline News			Headline News
22:00	The Cosby Show	art, C'ed. P'card loses his Ro-	Headline News	Headline News	Headline News			Headline News
22:30	Home Improvement	leman-engineered clown.	Headline News	Headline News	Headline News			Headline News
23:00	Touched by an Angel "Amaz-	ing Grace" (Part 2 of 2)	Movie *** ** "An Innocent	Late Show	Headline News			Headline News
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Bette Midler performs at Carnegie Hall in New York in April. The comical singer has no plans on retiring anytime soon.

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Bette Midler not ready for farewell

Latest nationwide tour doesn't spell retirement

BY RICK MASSIMO
The Providence Journal

Bette Midler is in the midst of a nationwide tour, but unlike many of her contemporaries, she isn't calling this a "farewell."

"I'm not retiring," she says in a phone interview, "and you can't make me!"

Informed that Cher, Gloria Estefan and Barry Manilow have all done swan-song shows recently, she explodes.

"They're all retiring? My God, there's not going to be anyone left! (Although) Cher's been retiring for five years, babe."

Kidding aside (maybe not in Cher's case), Midler says she understands the impulse to pack it in.

"(Touring is) very hard work. It's hard, hard, hard. No matter who you are, and how you travel, it's very hard. . . And when you get to a certain age, you say to yourself, 'What do I need this for?'"

So what does Midler need this for? "I did this beautiful show, and I just want everyone to see it."

The show, Midler says, is "very elaborate, and I am elaborate in it." It's full of her trademark singing, dancing and wisecracks, and it's set on Coney Island at the end of the 19th century.

The theme, Midler says, is "the amusement park of life, and/or death. . . Life as a funhouse, and everything wrapped around that."

Midler says the show has her hits, such as "Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy," "Wind Beneath My Wings" and "The Rose," as well as new songs for her.

"People do like to hear the hits," she says, "and they do like to catch up with you and know what it was that happened to you."

As for her latest album, "Bette Midler Sings the Rosemary Clooney Songbook," she promises to fit in "as much as I can. It's hard to know, because if you sing that, something else has to go."

"Really, the only thing that I find inspiring is music and dance. That's my calling, and it's the heart of my reason to go on. And if I can find that inspiration, it's great. And if I can't find it, then it really will be time to pack it in."

Bette Midler

Midler says Clooney was one of her earliest favorites and influences.

"I want to be her house and she cooked pasta for me. She was one of the sweetest people I ever met in my life. And that voice! That voice was coming out at me in the late '40s and the early '50s, and I never really got over it. It was just such an emblematic voice. It was a sound that really distilled the times that I was living in. It was gentle, genteel, warm. It had so much hope and promise in it. I just really adored her."

But the album, she says, was producer Manilow's idea.

"He told me he had a dream. Of course, what can you say when someone tells you he had a dream except say, 'OK.'" Manilow was Midler's piano player and musical director very early in both of their careers. Working with him again was fun.

"He's a curious person — his own music and the music he does for others are not really the same thing. He's kind of like an architect."

"He knows a lot about music, and he can break it down. He's a terrific arranger. . . He knows how to get good work out of me."

Midler says that while she's not retiring, "it's foolish to say farewell, because you never know what life is going to hand you," she also doesn't know what's next.

"I have nothing to announce. I'm just trying to get through my shows in an elegant and timely fashion, remain my health and my voice, keep everyone around me from going mad and entertain the hordes."

After that? "Take a rest, and try to see what happened to [the audiences] and to me. Then look around for the music. Really, the only thing that I find inspiring is music and dance."

"That's my calling, and it's the heart of my reason to go on. And if I can find that inspiration, it's great. And if I can't find it, then it really will be time to pack it in."

Surfer inspires Hawaii governor

Teenager **Bethany Hamilton**, an inspiration to many when she returned to surfing after losing her left arm to a shark, swapped "board stories" with Gov. **Linda Lingle**.



Hamilton

week.

"I did this because I'm against drugs, and I think that's a main problem in Hawaii that a lot of people get caught into," Hamilton said.

Former president teams with university

Former President Ford said he often walked past a vacant lot where the Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy will be housed when he was a student at the University of Michigan in the 1930s.

Ford spoke to about 400 people gathered Friday at his alma mater for a groundbreaking ceremony for construction of the **Joan and Sanford Weill Hall**.

"When I came to the university in 1931, I brought a \$100 check from a principal of a high school who wanted to make damn sure that I went to a school in Ann Arbor," Ford said.

"I never would have thought when I plunked that \$100 down 73 years ago that I'd be involved in a ceremony of this kind. . . But strange things happen."

The school's Institute of Public Administration was renamed the Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy in 1999 in honor of Ford, the nation's 38th president.

Historic house set for demolition

The house where teenage columnist **Mike Royko** penned hard-edged articles on Chicago politics and life is being torn down by its owners.

The demolition began Thursday despite pleas from preservationists who say the California Craftsman home has historic value. The Chicago Tribune reported Friday.

Officials of affluent Winnetka, north of Chicago, considered the house the best example of California Craftsman design in the village.

Designed by a local architect in 1906, the house was molded in the Craftsman style, which

featured handcrafted wood detailing, wide eaves, low gables, built-in storage space and tiled fireplaces.

Ownership by Royko, a columnist for the Chicago Tribune who died in 1997, added to the house's significance, said **David Bahman** of Landmark Preservation Council of Illinois.

John and Catherine McCarthy, who bought the house from Royko's wife, **Judy**, for \$1.8 million earlier this year, plan to rebuild on the lot.

Bill Cosby ribs small Michigan town

Entertainer **Bill Cosby** poked fun at Michigan's Upper Peninsula in a performance at Northern Michigan University.

"Why are you people up here?" Cosby asked the crowd of more than 6,800 people Friday night at the Berry Events Center. "Didn't you know there was nothing up here when you came to visit the campus? I called my wife before the show, and she asked what it was like up here, and I said, 'I don't know where I'm at. It's an eight-hour drive from downtown.'"

Marquette, with a population of about 20,000, is the Upper Peninsula's largest city. Cosby's routine included jokes about college life, relationships, and parents and children.

Photos and stories from The Associated Press



Royko



Cosby

Horoscope

The tendency is to flit and float like a butterfly doing whatever catches your fancy. The phone rings, the e-mail icon bounces up and down, and there's a steady stream of distraction served up with a pleasant smile. Do at least three quantifiable tasks. Then, you'll avoid wondering at the end of the day, "What did I really accomplish?"

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY
(November 17). This is a year of expanding your ideas about what is possible. You're counted on to give a heartfelt performance in January, and you deliver, earning money for your efforts! You'll be building a reputation through the spring. Get out and have fun — it's good for your public relations. Romantic pacts are made in December and again in June.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). It's fantastically lucky both financially and socially to keep written track of your time. Something about documenting your life makes you feel present, able and motivated — especially when you look back on those scribbles later.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Even if you have no hard evidence that there are good things to come, you're somehow filled with anticipation. Connections with Virgos and Sagittarians are lucrative, though you'll be paying dues for a while.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Loved ones affect you strongly. You'll spend the day alternately enthralled and baffled. Let them have their own dramas. Fortuitous meetings are featured in the evening. Something that starts out all business turns into riotous fun.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). If you're wondering whether a loved one's sweet gesture is enough to erase this person's wrongdoings from your memory for good, here's the answer — no, it won't. Getting to the heart of the problem is imperative.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Friends urge you to disclose the scintillating details of recent goings-on. Some

facts about your life are no one's business but your own. The secret you keep inside grows in power, giving you fuel to do what you must do next.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). When you believe in your talent, you teach others how to believe in you as well. It's not arrogance — really! Confidence is a necessary component of being an artistic visionary. Put in the necessary hours.



LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Romantic feelings are thick and engulfing. It makes you long for the days when love was as light as a sheet of fabric softener. A change of environment will help you get back your levity and therefore your productivity.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Knowing more will change how you act. But extrasensory information can only come through when you're using your usual five senses to the fullest. Clue in to the details — a crack of the voice or the squint of an eye.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Events seem to line up for the sole purpose of recreating a past shock. This gives you a chance to review how you felt in the past and see if you'd like to choose a new feeling this time around. You do control your feelings.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Your heart is yearning. Getting more variety into your life is one key to finding love. The other is believing that you have enough love already and seeing it in the people around you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Discipline becomes an issue. The "d" word doesn't have to be such a big thing. In fact, discipline is mainly about your small, daily habits. Someone you would do almost anything for will ask for a lot now.

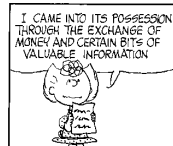
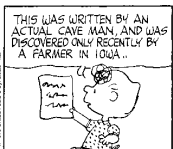
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Matters of faith arise at work. Use that strong moral compass to cherry-pick your business alliances. Tonight, you're quite easy to please. You're happy to make someone else happy.

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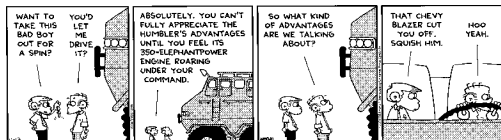
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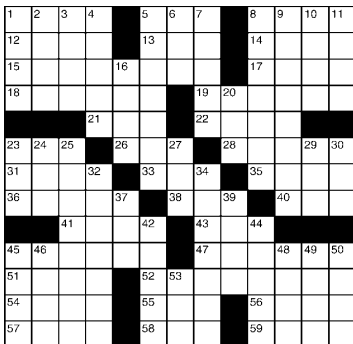
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Eugene Sheffer Crossword



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- 1 Flavor enhancer
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- 8 Break suddenly
- 12 Hodge-podge
- 13 Bobby of hockey
- 14 Dark purple
- 15 Lunch period, often
- 17 Shot
- 18 Bottled spirits?
- 19 Lustrous fabric
- 21 Grimalkin
- 22 Speak unclearly
- 23 Card-table call
- 26 Bumped into
- 28 "The Bell Jar"
- 31 Eagle's a par-3
- 33 Eggnog ingredient
- 35 Sheltered
- 36 Fly-catcher
- 38 Clear the tables
- 40 Cunning
- 41 Polio-vaccine VIP
- 43 Actress Hagen
- 45 Waste time
- 47 Asian peninsula
- 51 Curved molding
- 52 Emotionally unstable
- 54 Deuce beater
- 55 Actress Joanne
- 56 Arizona tribe
- 57 Benefit
- 58 W. Hemisphere org.
- 59 Impersonated

Down

- 1 Ditty
- 2 Lotion additive
- 3 Father of the pride
- 4 Invigorant
- 5 Less dry
- 6 Branch
- 7 Apparel
- 8 BBQ accessory
- 9 S and 10, e.g.
- 10 Pinnacle
- 11 Menial laborer
- 16 Squad
- 20 Matterhorn or Jungfrau
- 23 Diastema
- 24 Lemieux milieu
- 25 Time rival
- 27 Popcorn container
- 29 — Aviv
- 30 Attention getter
- 32 Unerring marksman
- 34 Island garb
- 37 Right angle
- 39 Luminary
- 42 Japanese fencing
- 44 "Hi, Ho"
- 45 They're often connected
- 46 Taj Mahal city
- 48 On
- 49 Comic-strip shriek
- 50 Low-pH
- 53 Historic period

Answer to Previous Puzzle



11-17

CRYPTOQUIP

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Yesterday's Cryptoquip: WHEN MOM WANTED HER TWIN BOYS TO COME IMMEDIATELY, SHE WOULD CRY "ON THE DOUBLE!"

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: D equals E

Dress dollars probably down drain

Dear Abby: Some friends of ours, "Rhonda" and "Mike," planned to be married. They have two small children together. Mike is a longtime childhood friend of my husband's; we met Rhonda through Mike. Mike and Rhonda are no longer together. It was a messy breakup.

They no longer speak to each other, and they even have relatives involved in the exchange of their children so they do not have to see each other.

My husband and I gave Rhonda \$100 as a down payment on the wedding dress that she just "had" to have. Mike and Rhonda both thanked us, and said not to buy a wedding gift, that the money was gift enough. Rhonda bought the dress and now plans to sell it.

My husband and I are not well-off, and we would like our money back. We feel that now the wedding has been canceled, the money should be returned. Mike said he not offered to do it. Should we confront her and tell

her that when she sells the dress that we'd like the \$100 back? How should we handle this?

— **Want Our Money** in Washington

Dear Wants: Rather than "confront" Rhonda, remind her that when she sells the dress, you would like her to return the money. But don't hold your breath.

Since your friendship was based on your long-standing friendship with Mike, she may assume that her relationship with you is history — and not feel inclined to do so.

Dear Abby: I have fallen in love with a wonderful man I'll call "Hank." Hank is everything I want in a man. We have been together for five months, and he is always very well-dressed — which is important to me. I take pride in the way I look and want my partner to do the same. Hank and I went out yesterday. It was cold outside and

Hank said he would wear a sweater. Well, Abby, the sweater looked like something he found in a trash bin! It was stained, dirty and faded. How do I tell Hank that sweater has to go without hurting his feelings? I felt embarrassed to be with him, which I hated to admit to myself. How can I tell him not to wear it again?

— **Embarrassed in Illinois**

Dear Embarrassed: Do NOT tell him not to wear it again, or that you felt embarrassed to be seen with him in it. When an otherwise spiffy dresser wears a garment that is "old, stained, faded," etc., it is safe to assume that the item has sentimental value. Since you prefer that he wear something nicer, buy him a sweater or two — and as the weather grows colder, let him know how much it would please you to see him in something you selected especially for him.

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Dear Abby

JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

GINOR

GLIEB

YNOFLE

ZOLENZ

A: BY

Yesterday's

Jumbles: AWASH TYPED WHOLLY WATER
Answer: When the surfers saw the big waves, they said it was — WORTH THE "WADE."

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

by Henri Arnold and Mike Argrinon



Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

Smoky neighbor a health hazard

Dear Annie: I have lived in a wonderful apartment for five years.

Three months ago, a woman who is a heavy smoker moved in downstairs.

Her smoke drifts into my apartment, even when I have my windows and patio door closed.

Last month, the smell was so bad, I went to her apartment to confront her. She apologized and promised to buy a smokeless ashray, but nothing has changed. Also, she is a senior citizen, and I know it would be nearly impossible for her to quit.

I have gone to my doctor because the secondhand smoke is affecting my health. He put me on allergy medication, but I am still suffering.

I can feel the smoke burning in my throat and lungs. I am so concerned that I've started wearing a dust mask to filter out the smoke.

Have you talked to the management office and was told there is nothing they can do. I also

Annie's Mailbox



checked my lease, and although there is a section regarding "nuisances," cigarette smoke isn't listed. Please help me. I am losing my patience and do not want to have a blow-up with this woman.

Do I have any legal rights to protect me against her cigarette smoke? I don't want to move. Can she be forced out?

— **Trouble Breathing** in San Leandro, Calif.

Dear San Leandro: No. There are no current laws, even in California, that prohibit someone from smoking inside her own apartment. Since you have a health condition, it's possible you can seek redress through the California Fair Employment and Housing Commission. Otherwise, try adding some ventilation to your own place, perhaps a filtration system, that will help you breathe easier. And start looking for another place soon, preferably one with a no-smoking policy.

Dear Annie: I am dating

"Roger," a man I love very much. In the past, Roger has dated overly jealous women who cheated on him, and now I am living in his shadow. If he neglects to introduce me to some-one and I ask who it is, he jumps to the conclusion that I am jealous. If I am late when we are scheduled to go somewhere, he will leave without me. However, if HE is behind schedule and I call to see if he is on the way, he thinks I am checking up on him and becomes very angry.

Roger currently is not speaking to me because I called to ask where he was.

— **Confused in Freeport, Ill.**

Dear Confused: It is unhealthy to walk on eggshells in a relationship because you fear upsetting them. Roger is insecure, childish, suspicious and inconsiderate. Get out while you can.

Annie's Mailbox is written by Kathy Mitchell and Marcy Sugar, longtime editors of the Ann Landers column. Please e-mail your questions to annie@familycircus.com, or write to: Annie's Mailbox, c/o Family Circus, 5777 W. Century Blvd., Suite 700, Los Angeles, CA 90045.

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"Today we learned we live on a planet. Tomorrow I hope we'll find out which one."



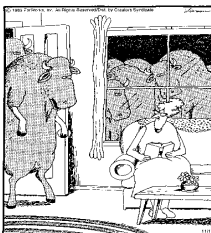
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"MIN ORANDA SAYS THAT LIFE IS LIKE MASHED POTATOES... ONCE IN A WHILE, THERE'S GONNA BE A LUMP!"

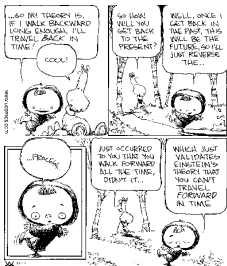
The Far Side

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"Sorry to intrude, mein, but we thought we'd come in and just sort of roam around for a few minutes."

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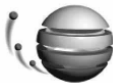
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First Round
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 Muhlenberg, Pa. (8-2) at St. John Fisher, N.Y. (8-1)
 Shenandoah, Va. (7-3) at Delaware Valley, Pa. (10-0)
 Bridgewater, Va. (2-4) at Washington & Jefferson, Pa. (10-0)
 Mount St. Joseph, Ohio (10-0) at Wheaton, Ill. (10-0)

Aurora, Ill. (6-4) at Wooster, Ohio (10-0)
 Gettysburg, Pa. (9-1) at Alma, Mich. (9-2)
 Christopher Newport, Va. (8-2) at Salisbury, Md. (10-0)

North (9-1) at Wisconsin-La Crosse (6-3)

Wayne, Iowa (8-2) at Concordia-Moorhead, Minn. (10-0)

Hardy-Barnhart, Pa. (9-1) at Trinity, Texas (9-1)

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Tennessee not taking Vandy lightly despite its dominance

Vols can earn trip to SEC title game vs. team they haven't lost to since '82

BY ELIZABETH A. DAVIS

The Associated Press

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — Tennessee's season has come down to this — beat Vanderbilt and go to the Southeastern Conference championship game.

Don't laugh. The Vols aren't. Even though No. 15 Tennessee hasn't lost to the Commodores since 1982 — a span of 21 games — and Vanderbilt hasn't even scored a point against its in-state rival since 2000, Tennessee linebacker Kevin Burnett is serious about winning Saturday's game in Nashville.

This could be embarrassing. This could ruin our championship hopes. This could ruin everything if we lose this game," Burnett said. "We're not playing just to play Vanderbilt anymore. This has a lot at stake. We have a ring at stake. It will kill me for us to lose to Vanderbilt."

If they stumble against Vanderbilt (2-8, 1-6), the Vols (7-2, 5-1) could still get into the SEC championship game by being Kentucky in their regular-season finale Nov. 27.

"I guess you only have to win one of the two, but I don't think anyone here is looking at it that way," Tennessee coach Phillip Fulmer said.

That's the right attitude, Burnett says, especially for the coaches.

"We have to take the mentality



Junior Rick Clausen, above, is Tennessee's third starting QB this season because of injuries to Erik Anderson and Brent Schaeffer.

that it's do or die now. Not just us, but this could mean jobs. If we don't go to the SEC championship it's a good possibility this coaching staff will lose their jobs for that. That's how we look at it," Burnett said. "If Tennessee loses to Vanderbilt or Kentucky, we're going to have some problems."

Burnett really thinks Fulmer and his staff could be fired after a loss.

"If I was the athletic director, yeah," he said.

Tennessee should use its next two games to iron out some problems and get better prepared for the SEC championship against

No. 2 Auburn, which beat the Vols 34-10 earlier this season.

"We've got two big challenges here ... and then obviously an opportunity out there in front of us that if we play well we'll get it," Fulmer said. "We need to improve considerably in some areas to be ready for that opportunity as well."

Tennessee has to get adjusted to a new quarterback. Junior Rick Clausen will be the Vols' third starter this season, replacing freshmen Brent Schaeffer and Erik Angus. Schaeffer broke his collarbone at South Carolina, and Angus separated his shoulder the next game against Notre Dame.

Tennessee had last week off after a 17-13 loss to Notre Dame, and many other injured players used the time to heal.

Center Jason Respert missed the Notre Dame game because of an ankle sprain.

"I feel great," he said. "My legs feel fresh."

With last week off, some of the players watched football games like Auburn's win over Georgia and Pittsburgh's victory at Notre Dame.

But the players say they're not ready to talk about Auburn yet.

"We need to stop thinking about the SEC championship game," Respert said. "If you look over Vanderbilt and Kentucky and go out and play like crap, they'll beat you."

Wolverines are determined not to let Buckeyes ruin their Rose Bowl hopes

BY LARRY LAGE

The Associated Press

ANN ARBOR, Mich. — Hate.

That's the word Chad Henne used to describe the Michigan-Ohio State rivalry, and it's a description his coach probably wishes his freshman quarterback had avoided.

"It's the biggest tradition in college football," Henne said.

"They hate us and we hate them."

Michigan coach Lloyd Carr said because Henne hasn't played the Buckeyes yet, he doesn't really understand.

"Hate, I guarantee is not part of this rivalry," Carr said Monday. "And I think when he's through he would not characterize it that way. They probably have guys that say the same thing."

"I think if you're at Michigan, you hate to lose to Ohio State. And I think if you're at Ohio State, you hate to lose to Michigan. I think that's what Chad Henne meant, so put it that way."

Carr then smiled and laughed in a rare moment of levity during a week when a lot is at stake for No. 7 Michigan.

If the Wolverines (9-1, 7-0 Big Ten) win at Ohio State on Saturday, they will repeat as outright conference champions and will play in a second straight Rose Bowl.

If the Buckeyes (6-4, 3-4) win, they'll end a disappointing season with a satisfying victory.

"For them to spoil the season for us, it has to be a big motivator for them," senior running back Kevin Dudley said.

An Ohio State victory would also drop Michigan into a first-place tie and possibly a second-tier bowl in Florida.

Unless the postseason game is a part of the Bowl Championship Series, namely the Rose Bowl in California, the Wolverines want no part of it.

"We don't want to go back down to Florida," Marlin Jackson said. "We want to go to Pasadena."

Michigan controls its postseason fate because it got the help it needed when previously unbeaten Wisconsin lost at Michigan State on Saturday.

After the Wolverines beat Northwestern 42-20 — their seventh straight win this season and

13th Big Ten victory in a row — many of them huddled around televisions to root for their instate rivals.

"It's going crazy," linebacker Roy Manning said. "It's probably one of the only times I was rooting for Michigan State."

At least one former Buckeye — Jim Massey — will be pulling against his school because he has two younger brothers — Patrick and Mike — on Michigan's team.

"He definitely roots for us," said defensive tackle Patrick Massey, a Brecksville, Ohio, native. "He's a family guy. He's got a lot of friends in his school — Patrick and Mike — on Michigan's team. He's a huge fan of coach [Jim Tressel]. But he puts that all aside and roots for his brothers and wants us to be successful."

The Wolverines don't expect to hear Jim Massey or any other Michigan fan cheering Saturday at the Horseshoe.

"Going into a stadium where there are 90,000 people cheering for you to lose, it sends chills through your body," Dudley said.

"Running out there, everybody is booing you. Going out there and trying to prove that you're the better team, it's nice."



Oklahoma coach Bob Stoops, left, shakes hands with Nebraska coach Bill Callahan following their game in Norman, Okla., Saturday. Oklahoma won 30-3, and sparked controversy by keeping its starters in the game and deciding not to kick a field goal on fourth down in the final minute. "In the heat of the game, I got caught unfortunately between sportsmanship and BCS points and in my mind probably chose the wrong one because I do believe in sportsmanship," Stoops said.

Stoops: Oklahoma No. 2 because of schedule strength

BY JEFF LATZKE

The Associated Press

NORMAN, Okla. — Even Oklahoma coach Bob Stoops gets influenced by the BCS standings.

Stoops spent Monday crediting the Sooners' No. 2 spot in the new Bowl Championship Series standings to strength of schedule and regretting the perception that Oklahoma tried to run up the score against Nebraska in an effort to gain a few precious votes.

The Sooners maintained the second spot in the rankings behind top-rated South Carolina. But No. 3 Auburn cut the Sooners' lead in half, from .0567 points last week to .0271 this week.

The top two teams in the final BCS standings will play in the Orange Bowl on Jan. 4 for the national championship.

The race became tighter after Oklahoma beat Nebraska 30-3 and Auburn defeated Georgia 24-6, and voters in The Associated Press' poll moved Auburn into a tie with the Sooners at No. 2. Still, the computer rankings kept Oklahoma the top team in the nation, even ahead of BCS No. 1 Southern California.

The BCS became an issue on Saturday when the Sooners kept their starters in the game and decided not to kick a field goal on fourth down in the final minute, apparently looking for more points.

In retrospect, Stoops said he probably should have acted differently.

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sportsmanship and BCS points and in my mind probably chose the wrong one because I do believe in sportsmanship," Stoops said.

On Monday, Stoops pointed to the Sooners' schedule as the reason they came on top of the computer rankings.

"I guess our schedule has been strong and that's helping us," he said.

Oklahoma's schedule includes victories against Bowling Green, currently ranked 28th, as well as Oregon of the Pac-10. Auburn's nonconference schedule included Louisiana-Monroe, Louisiana Tech and Division I-AA The Citadel.

Oklahoma running back Kejuan Jones said the Sooners are in a quandary.

When Oklahoma was blowing teams out last season, experts deemed The Big 12 weak. Now, that the Sooners are winning by a smaller margin, yet, not the conference, are regarded as weaker. "They're not going to ever be satisfied by the way we win," Jones said.

Some Sooners players have said they didn't fully understand how the BCS worked, but just hoped that if they finished the season undefeated they'd get a shot at the national championship.

The Trojans, Sooners and Tigers are all 10-0. Each has two games left and one loss by any of them would help resolve what could be another BCS problem.

"I think as a team we're just fed up with the BCS stuff," Jones said. "We just want to go out and play as hard as we can and get the victories as best as we can."

PGA Tour pioneer Sifford joins golf greats

First black tour member inducted into World Golf Hall of Fame

By DOUG FERGUSON
The Associated Press

ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla. — As the first black PGA Tour member, Charlie Sifford knew he had to keep his cool if he wanted to pave the way for others.

As the first black inducted into the World Golf Hall of Fame, Sifford lost his composure quickly.

He held up the crystal trophy for everyone to see, waving it from side to side like a wand and smiling broadly. Moments later he broke down, bowing his head and softly tapping the podium with his fist, choking back tears.

"You're going to have to forgive me, because this is touching," Sifford said. "A little of caddy boy from Charlotte, North Carolina, getting inducted into this great hall. How about it?"

More than 40 years after he helped put an end to the whites-only membership rules on

the PGA Tour, Sifford took his place among golf's greatest figures in a historic induction ceremony Monday night in front of 3,000 people who laughed, cried and celebrated his amazing journey.

"Tonight we honor a man not only for his accomplishments on the course, but the course he took in life," Gary Player said in his introduction of the 82-year-old Sifford. "Persistence is an ingredient that is essential to success, and Charlie had that persistence."

Joining Sifford in a most diverse class of inductees was Canadian amateur Marlene Stewart Street, Japanese star Isao Aoki, and former U.S. Open champion Tom Kite, whose endless work ethic brought him 19 victories.

Sifford paid his dues like no other.

He risked ridicule and threats breaking through the Caucas-

sian-only clause on the PGA, finally rescinded in 1961 after Sifford became the first black on tour.

Someone left feces in the cup at the Phoenix Open. Fans kicked his ball in the rough. Telephone calls in the middle of the night warned him not to show up at the golf course. Sifford played on, winning twice on the PGA Tour and later capturing the 1975 Senior PGA Championship.

"This is a great day, not only for Charlie Sifford but all of golf," Tiger Woods said in videotaped remarks.

The induction brought membership in the hall to 104, and a plea from Sifford that he not be the last black.

He paid tribute to Teddy Rhodes and Bill Spiller, who paved the way for him in the blacks-only United Golf Association; to Lee Elder, who became the first black to play in the Masters in 1975; and to Calvin Peete,

Jim Dent and Jim Thorpe, blacks who later succeeded on the PGA Tour.

"Charlie's induction reminds us how far we have come as a country and a game," PGA Tour Commissioner Tim Finchem said. "But it also reminds us how far we have to go."

Kite was among the steadiest performers, finishing in the top 20 on the PGA Tour money list 15 consecutive years and twice winning the money title. His most productive year was 1989, when he won The Players Championship, the Tour Championship and was voted PGA Tour player of the year.

Aoki won 73 times around the world and is the only Japanese player to win on six tours. He is best known for holing out for eagle on the 18th hole in the 1983 Hawaiian Open to become the first Japanese player to win on the PGA Tour.



Charlie Sifford won twice on the PGA Tour and the 1975 Senior PGA Championship.

"I think he's the Arnold Palmer of Japanese golf," said Greg Norman, who introduced him. "To travel from your home shores is not an easy task."

Street became the first Canadian inducted into the Hall of Fame. She had an amazing amateur career in which she won six national titles and last year captured the U.S. Senior Amateur at 69.

Big East will be one 16-team basketball division in '05-'06

The Associated Press

PROVIDENCE, R.I. — The Big East will be one 16-team division in 2005-06 and only 12 schools will participate in the postseason basketball tournament.

The league announced the new structure Monday and it takes effect following the addition in 2005 of five schools from Conference USA and Boston College's departure for the Atlantic Coast Conference.

Miami and Virginia Tech left for the ACC this academic year, leaving the Big East with 12 schools.

Louisville, Cincinnati, DePaul, Marquette and South Florida make the move from Conference USA to make it 16 schools.

The schools will still play a 16-game regular-season schedule with 13 opponents and three repeat matchups. The league office will decide the repeat matchups and it will be based on television, rivalry and geography.

Only 12 schools will advance to the annual postseason tournament at Madison Square Garden, the same as the current setup.

"The bottom line is we want to help our best teams prepare for success in the NCAA tournament," commissioner Mike Trangsrud said.

"If we expanded our tournament field to 16 teams, there would be no byes — or rewards — for what's going to be an exciting, but not very regular season."

The only other conference to have 16 members was the Western Athletic Conference from 1996-98. The biggest current league is Conference USA with 14 members.

The only difference in the women's basketball structure is that the Big East will have 15 other schools once with one repeat matchup.

Sports briefs

N.Y. commission suspends Holyfield after latest loss

NEW YORK — Evander Holyfield was suspended indefinitely by New York boxing officials in the wake of his last Saturday night loss to journeyman Larry Donald.

The suspension means the 42-year-old former four-time heavyweight champion will have to seek medical clearance if he wants to fight again.

After losing a lopsided decision to Donald, Holyfield said he still plans to fight. Holyfield won only one round on one scorecard and two on the other two in the 12-round fight.

Holyfield has won only two of his last nine fights. He told the New York Daily News on Monday that the New York State Athletic Commission was involved in a "conspiracy" to keep him out of boxing and that he would contest the ban.

Sports court sets new dates for Montgomery, Gaines hearings

LAUSANNE, Switzerland — Hearings in the doping cases of American sprinters Tim Montgomery and Chryste Gaines have been delayed until the middle of next year, the Court of Arbitration for Sport said Tuesday.

The sports world's highest court said Montgomery's hearing will start June 6 in San Francisco and Gaines' case will begin July 10 in New York. The hearings had been set to begin in early November but were postponed at the request of all parties.

Montgomery, world record holder in the 100 meters, and

Gaines have been charged by the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency and face lifetime bans if found guilty.

Neither tested positive for drugs, but each was charged based on evidence gathered in the Bay Area Laboratory Co-Operative case.

Federer returns from injury, advances in Masters Cup

HOUSTON — The worst is over for Roger Federer.

After being sidelined three weeks with a torn left thigh muscle, Federer returned Monday for a 6-1, 7-6 (4) victory over Gaston Gaudio of Argentina in the first round of the ATP Masters Cup championship and felt no effects from his injury.

Federer and Gaudio were delayed more than 3½ hours by rain before completing their match.

In the evening match, Lleyton Hewitt was leading Carlos Moyá 5-4 in the first set and 30-0 in the 10th game when the match was postponed until Tuesday by more rain.

Mauresmo withdraws from Fed Cup

PARIS — Annelie Mauresmo withdrew from France's Fed Cup team Tuesday, saying she needs time off before preparing for next year's Australian Open.

Defending Fed Cup champion France faces Spain in the semifinals later this month.

Mauresmo, ranked No. 2, lost in the first round of the Davis Cup semifinals to Serena Williams on Sunday. Mauresmo would have finished the year No. 1 had she won that tournament.

Mauresmo, 25, has never won a Grand Slam title.

"If you want to keep improving like all the great players then there are difficult choices to make," she said. "For me the time has come."



Russia's Maria Sharapova, above, won the WTA Championships final Monday with a 4-6, 6-2, 6-4 victory over Serena Williams.

Sharapova beats injured Serena Williams in WTA

By BETH HARRIS
The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Serena Williams' injury-induced weakened serves drove Maria Sharapova to distraction. Two games from ending the season in defeat, the Russian teenager focused on holding her own serve.

Sharapova overcame the early third-set mental lapse and beat Williams for the WTA Championships title 4-6, 6-2, 6-4 Monday night in a rematch of their Wimbledon final.

The 17-year-old Russian will rise to a career-high fourth when the year-end WTA rankings are released Tuesday.

"I don't think I could've asked for anything better this year," Sharapova said. "It's been an extraordinary year for me. I know that I'm not showing a lot of emotion, but I'm sort of just speechless."

Sharapova stunned Williams for the Wimbledon title in July, propelling the blond teenager to international stardom. She finished the year with five titles.

Williams trailed 5-2 in the second set when she called for a trainer after straining her abdominal muscle. The injury greatly affected Williams' serve — usually a 120-mph puff of a weekend hacker.

"After she got the medical treatment, I could tell that she had problems serving, but on the groundstrokes she was just teasing off on everything," Sharapova said. "Beside her serve, she didn't look injured once she was playing, so she was actually being really tough. I couldn't capitalize on the weak serves that she hit."

Williams left the court five minutes and returned to have her serve broken in losing the set 6-2.

She rolled to a 4-0 lead in the third, including winning the first 11 points of the set and twice breaking a flustered Sharapova.

After the third game, the trainer responded to wind a large wrap around Williams' stomach. She slipped an ice bag under her shirt on later changeovers.

Losing beating down Browns coach Davis

BY TOM WITHERS
The Associated Press

BEREA, Ohio — With his job security the talk of the town, Butch Davis looked like a beaten man as he discussed yet another excruciating loss.

Nearly four seasons of injuries, frustration, bitter defeats and mostly sub-par football appear to have taken their toll on Cleveland's coach.

Building the Browns into Super Bowl champions has been much tougher than he imagined. "Losing is a painful, painful experience, and we're frustrated," Davis said Monday while discussing the Browns' 24-10 loss to the Pittsburgh Steelers. "We're searching for answers on how to turn this thing around. . . . Losing [stinks]. Let's be real."

"If you're a competitor and you're a coach and you're a player,

it's miserable. And the only cure for this misery is winning."

The Browns (3-6) are running out of time to salvage their season. And Davis may be a few losses from losing his job. On Monday, he addressed mounting speculation that this may be his final season in Cleveland.

Davis, who is 24-34 since taking over the Browns in 2001 and 1-8 against the rival Steelers, is under contract until 2007. But if the Browns don't improve quickly, owner Randy Lerner could decide to make a coaching change.

Davis claims he has both Lerner's support and sympathy.

"We speak after every game, and I do believe that Randy clearly understands the challenges that we've had as an organization over the last two years," Davis said. "There has been an awful lot of very, very difficult things to

clearly in the loop and knows exactly what all those issues are. He knows where we are with the team from the talent and the coaching and the preparation. I think he's very supportive."

The Browns have lost three in a row and four of five, dropping into last place in the AFC North, one game behind the Cincinnati Bengals — the NFL's standard bearers for futility.

But beyond the Browns' offensive ineptitude and 8-17 record since making the playoffs in 2002, there are other disturbing signs that Davis isn't getting the job done.

The comments made by defensive tackle Gerard Warren that he was going to go after Pittsburgh rookie quarterback Ben Roethlisberger's head were embarrassing and fired up the Steelers. There was also the silly pregame trash talking that led to

Browns running back William Green being ejected for fighting with Steelers linebacker Joey Porter.

Davis was troubled by both episodes, saying he didn't condone the behavior in either case while acknowledging that it was a reflection on him.

"Ultimately, everything that happens on that football field is a reflection on me," he said. "That's the ultimate responsibility as the head coach. You take it all."

At this year, taking it all has included quarterback Jeff Garcia's almost weekly criticism that the Browns coaching staff isn't utilizing his skills properly.

After Sunday's game, Garcia said the Browns were predictable, undisciplined and unimaginative. "You name it, we do it — unfortunately the wrong way," Garcia said.

NFL scoreboard

American Conference

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New England	8	1	0	.889	217	152
New York	6	3	0	.667	202	158
Buffalo	3	6	0	.333	143	163
Miami	1	6	0	.167	123	186
South	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Indianapolis	6	3	0	.667	298	220
Jacksonville	6	3	0	.667	153	163
Cincinnati	4	3	0	.556	185	173
Tennessee	3	6	0	.333	168	197
North	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Pittsburgh	8	1	0	.889	212	154
Baltimore	6	3	0	.667	174	130
Dallas	4	4	0	.444	169	173
Cleveland	3	6	0	.333	139	156
West	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Denver	6	3	0	.667	196	154
San Diego	5	4	0	.556	202	168
Kansas City	3	6	0	.333	257	278
Oakland	1	6	0	.167	135	247

National Conference

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Philadelphia	6	1	0	.857	236	152
N.Y. Giants	6	1	0	.857	208	158
Dallas	5	3	0	.619	202	152
Washington	1	6	0	.143	125	190
South	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Atlanta	2	0	0	.778	194	141
New Orleans	4	0	0	.444	198	254
Tampa Bay	4	0	0	.444	157	179
Carolina	2	0	0	.222	162	212
North	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Green Bay	5	4	0	.556	201	217
Minnesota	4	5	0	.444	198	188
Chicago	4	5	0	.444	154	159
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St. Louis	5	4	0	.556	203	217
Seattle	5	4	0	.556	203	217
Arizona	4	5	0	.444	167	179
San Francisco	1	6	0	.143	112	261

Sunday's games

Chicago 19, Tennessee 17, 07	
Indianapolis 49, Houston 16	
Baltimore 20, N.Y. Jets 17, 07	
St. Louis 23, Seattle 12	
Atlanta 24, Tampa Bay 14	
Jacksonville 23, Detroit 17, 07	
New Orleans 27, Kansas City 20	
Cleveland 24, Pittsburgh 10	
Cincinnati 17, Washington 10	
Arizona 17, N.Y. Giants 14	
Green Bay 24, Minnesota 31	
Carolina 37, San Francisco 17	
New England 29, Buffalo 6	
Open: Miami, Denver, Oakland, San Diego	
Sunday, Nov. 14	
Philadelphia 49, Kansas City 20	
Dallas at Baltimore	
St. Louis at Buffalo	
Indianapolis at Chicago	
N.Y. Jets at Cleveland	
Arizona at Carolina	
Tennessee at Jacksonville	
Detroit at Minnesota	
Pittsburgh at Cincinnati	
San Francisco at Tampa Bay	
Miami at Seattle	
Washington at Philadelphia	
Atlanta at N.Y. Giants	
Green Bay at Houston	
Monday, Nov. 22	
New England at Kansas City	

Monday

Eagles 49, Cowboys 21

Philadelphia	7	2	7	49
Dallas	0	14	7	0-21
First Quarter				
PHI—Owens 99 pass from McNabb (Akers kick), 6:10.				
Second Quarter				
PHI—Levin 4 run (Akers kick), 4:53.				
Dal.—Witten 29 pass from Testaverde (Cundiff kick), 3:15.				
PHI—Owens 27 pass from McNabb (Akers kick), 9:45.				
PHI—Rinkin 59 pass from McNabb (Akers kick), 8:02.				
Dal.—Witten 24 pass from Testaverde (Cundiff kick), 3:23.				
Third Quarter				
PHI—Westbrook 1 run (Akers kick), 28:01.				
Dal.—George 15 run (Cundiff kick), 11:15.				
PHI—Owens 16 pass from McNabb (Akers kick), 6:04.				
Fourth Quarter				
PHI—Sheppard 101 interception return (Akers kick), 4:19.				
A—54:10.				
PHI	Dal			
First downs	20			
Total Net Yards	485			
Rushes—yards	33-149			
Passing	146			
Punt Returns	2-9			
Kickoff Returns	4-70			
Interceptions Ret.	1-101			
Comp-Att-Int	15-26-0			
Sacked-Yards Lost	1-9			
Fumbles-Lost	6-41			
Penalties-Yards	9-59			
Time of Possession	30:10			

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
Rushing—Philadelphia: LeVins 27, Westbrook 15-56, McNabb 2-14, Owens 4-6, Lewis 1-2, Blake 2-10 (11), Morgan 1-1, Givens 1-13, Cline 1-2, Perry 1-2, Testaverde 1-1, Johnson 4-6, Givens 1-5, Anderson 2-6, Clayton 2-6, Morgan 1-21, Barnes 1-2.
Receiving—Philadelphia: Owens 6-130, Westbrook 4-52, Mitchell 4-10, Pinkney 3-55, Givens 1-13, Cline 1-2, Perry 1-2, Testaverde 1-1, Johnson 4-6, Givens 1-5, Anderson 2-6, Clayton 2-6, Morgan 1-21, Barnes 1-2.
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Stars: McNabb, Eagles simply overruled Cowboys

STARS, FROM BACK PAGE

Lito Sheppard capped the scoring with a 101-yard interception return.

Dallas has lost five of six games, the last three losses by at least 20 points each. The Cowboys have lost eight of nine to Philadelphia by an average of 24 points.

"We couldn't slow them down, simple as that," Cowboys coach Phil Parcells said. "They were too much for us."

Unlike the 26-3 loss at Cincinnati the previous week, when Parcells called the Cowboys "stupid," Dallas was simply outplayed this time. But there were still several boneheaded mistakes — such as flags on all three extra points, a fumbled punt and a muffed kickoff that was recovered.

Dallas gave up its most points ever at home, and the most anywhere since losing 50-24 at Cincinnati in December 1985.

Philadelphia scored on four straight possessions in the second quarter, the first time to ever score four touchdowns in a quarter against Dallas.

The Eagles made it five

straight possessions with a TD when Owens caught a 16-yarder over two defenders in the third quarter to make it 42-21 and give him his NFL-best 12th TD.

"It takes a couple plays for us to get a little momentum," McNabb said. "Once things go going, we feel confident that every play that we call is going to be effective and possibly get in the end zone."

McNabb had the most incredible play, on third and 10 from the Philadelphia 25 in the second quarter.

McNabb spun away from one would-be tackler and sprinted to his right, only to find another defender. So he went back to his left, chased by two more players, and finally heaved the ball. Replays showed he held the ball for 14 seconds before the 60-yard pass to Freddie Mitchell.

"We just got to get better," Parcells said. "I'm not going to get into the state of the union right now."

Two days after turning 41, Vinny Testaverde hit 21 of 30 passes for 254 yards with two TDs to tight end Jason Witten, who had nine catches for 133 yards.

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Giants QB Manning to make first NFL start

BY TOM CANAVAN
The Associated Press

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — The wait for Eli Manning is over, and not at the request of the New York Giants ownership.

The Giants' quarterback of the future was given the starting job on Monday after two-time MVP Kurt Warner was benched following New York's third loss in four games.

"It's exciting," said Manning, who has limited mop-up action in two games. "This is some-

thing I want to do. This is what I want to do for a living. This is why I want to play football, so I can go out there and be the starting quarterback. I'm looking forward to the opportunity.

"Now it's time to go out there and play football."

Manning will face the Atlanta Falcons (7-2) on Sunday at Giants Stadium in a game New York (5-4) needs to win to renew its playoff hopes.

Giants co-owner Wellington Mara said the front office didn't

influence coach Tom Coughlin's choice to start Manning, who is the son of former NFL star Archie Manning and the brother of co-MVP Peyton Manning of the Indianapolis Colts.

"I don't think Tom Coughlin would work for an organization that made player decisions for him," Mara said in a statement released by the team.

The change came less than a day after the offense struggled for the second straight week in a 31-14 loss to the Arizona Cardinals.

While Warner was professional

in handling the change, the demotion caught the 33-year-old former Super Bowl MVP off guard. He intercepted 19 of 31 passes for 183 yards, a touchdown and no interceptions in a game in which his offensive line did nothing to help him after the first quarter.

Warner, who led the team to two touchdowns on its first two possessions, was sacked six times in the loss. He has been sacked 24 times in the past four games and 39 times this season.

"My play yesterday I don't

think had anything to do with that," Warner said of the change. "Read into that as much as you want, but there is a bigger picture here. There's more things that are trying to be accomplished."

Warner, who had thrown six touchdowns and four interceptions in 268 attempts, seemed to suggest the organization wanted Manning to play an idea about which a \$46 million wonder kid.

"I really felt the last four games we haven't been playing well offensively. We just need to make a change," Coughlin said.

Brunell out, Ramsey in for Redskins

The Associated Press

ASHBURN, Va. — Patrick Ramsey is the new starting quarterback for the Washington Redskins, a move coach Joe Gibbs hopes will end the team's worst scoring slump in seven decades.

"We're going to make him the starter," Gibbs said Monday. "We have to sink or swim with the way I feel about things... We're going to go with Patrick and hopefully he's going to play great for us, and we're all going to support him."

Gibbs benched Mark Brunell in the second quarter of Sunday's 17-10 loss to the Cincinnati Bengals, but the coach waited until Monday to announce that Ramsey will start Sunday's game at Philadelphia. "It'll be a tough assignment for him," Gibbs said. "It's probably the biggest underdog we've ever been going to Philly."

Brunell was 1-for-8 for 6 yards when he was benched with the Redskins trailing 17-0. He ranks last in the league in completion percentage (49.9), yards per attempt (5.04) and overall rating (63.9), and the Redskins haven't scored more than 18 points in a game all season.

Not since the Redskins played their home games in Boston, during the Dark Ages of scoring in the 1930s, has the team gone 10 games without scoring 20 points. The drought began with the season-ending 31-7 loss to Philadelphia last year and has continued through the first nine games of this season, bridging the coaching regimes of Steve Spurrier and Gibbs, who built reputations with high-scoring offenses.

Ramsey had 16 starts over two seasons under Spurrier, but his previous role was purely honorary when Gibbs traded for Brunell and signed the veteran to a seven-year, \$43 million contract with an \$8.6 million signing bonus.

Mularkey sticking with Bledsoe as Bills' starting QB

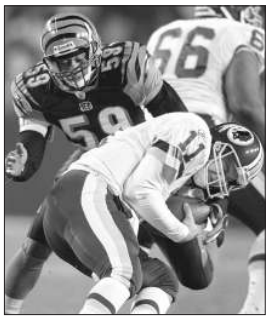
ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. — Mike Mularkey has a message to those clamoring for rookie quarterback J.P. Losman to replace Drew Bledsoe as Buffalo's starter: Not yet.

Mularkey on Monday insisted that Losman still needs plenty of work, considering the first-round draft pick missed almost two months recovering from a broken leg. The coach added that Bledsoe still gives the Bills' the best chance to win.

That said, Mularkey wasn't happy in assessing Bledsoe's performance in Buffalo's 29-6 loss at New England on Sunday.

Bledsoe's long-term status as starter is up for debate now that the Bills (3-6), who host St. Louis on Sunday, have fallen out of the playoff picture.

After showing he can be efficient in a scaled-down passing attack, leading Buffalo to wins in three of its previous four games, Bledsoe unraveled against New England. He went eight of 19 for 76 yards, threw three interceptions and finished with a career-low quarterback rating of 14.3.



Patrick Ramsey (2 TDs, 5 INTs, 49 percent completion rate) will take over an offense that averages 13.9 points a game, which ranks 31st in the NFL.

In his NFL debut, Losman wasn't any better. He entered with 4:40 remaining and in five plays, including a running play, Losman completed one pass, was sacked once, lost a fumble and was intercepted.

Harrington's grip on Lions' starting job slipping

ALLEN PARK, Mich. — Joey Harrington is the starting quarterback of the Detroit Lions. After Monday, though, that position doesn't seem too secure.

Lions coach Steve Mariucci gave his third-year quarterback a lukewarm endorsement one day after Harrington went 11-for-33 in a 23-17 overtime loss in Jacksonville.

"Right now, we've headed that way this week, — we haven't really discussed making a change," he said when asked if Harrington would start Sunday in Minnesota. "We expect a certain level of performance and competence at every position, and that is constantly being evaluated."

Bengals say a Redskin split on one of their players

CINCINNATI — Coach Marvin Lewis said one of his Cincinnati Bengals was split on during a 17-10 victory in Washington, and he hopes the NFL does something about it.

Receiver T.J. Houshmandzadeh confronted Redskins safety Sean Taylor at the end of the game Sunday, but declined to say why.

"It had nothing to do with physical contact," Houshmandzadeh said. "He's a punk."

Lewis said Monday that one of his players — he wouldn't confirm it was Houshmandzadeh — got spit on. The receiver wasn't available for comment.

"We had a player spit on yesterday, and that's not right," Lewis said. "It's something that was escalating from certain players. Hopefully the league will do something to cut it out."

Joe Gibbs, in his news conference Monday, was asked about Lewis' comments.

"I wasn't aware of that until you just mentioned it," Gibbs said.

Taylor refused to comment. He hasn't spoken to the media since he was arrested and charged with drunken driving on Oct. 28.

Bears LB Urlacher out at least a month

The Associated Press

LAKE FOREST, Ill. — Just when their defense was playing at a high level and sparking a three-game winning streak, Chicago Bears' star linebacker Brian Urlacher got hurt.

Urlacher will be out for two to six weeks after suffering an injury to his lower left leg that required a surgical procedure Monday to relieve the pressure of internal bleeding.

The four-time Pro Bowler was injured during Sunday's 19-17 victory at Tennessee, but the severity did not surface until later.

"He suffered a blow yesterday to his lower leg," coach Louie Smith said Monday, adding he didn't know when Urlacher would be released from the hospital.

"Last night we could tell something was wrong. So my immediate reaction, of course you know what I mean, Brian Urlacher is a great player, a big part of what we are doing around here," Smith said.

Urlacher didn't miss a game in his first four seasons, but he hurt his hamstring in the first practice of training camp and sat out the entire preseason. He played two regular-season games before the hamstring forced him out of games against Minnesota and Philadelphia, both losses.

Urlacher's injury is a downer for a defense that has been in attack mode, especially the past two weeks in road victories.

Chicago had seven sacks and got five turnovers to beat the Giants 28-21.

On Sunday, defensive end Michael Haynes returned an interception for a TD and the Bears won in overtime when defensive end Alex Brown sacked Billy Volek for a safety.

Chicago (4-5) plays the Indianapolis Colts on Sunday.

NFL injury update

Injuries to prominent NFL players, following the season's progress, since Friday's official completion of the first day of the season.

BENGALS: Drew Zastudil (sprained shoulder) out 3-4 weeks; Chris McAllister (shoulder) questionable; Edwain Mulford (broken toe) questionable.

SEAHAWKS: QB Quarterback Matt Hasselbeck (knee bruise) status unclear.

STARS: St. Louis Rams (from leg ligament) out for season; DT Brad Hopkins (from knee) out for season; DT Albert Haynesworth (elbow) out for Sunday.

NFL Briefs

Chiefs RB Holmes likely out

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Priest Holmes will likely miss Monday night's game against the New England Patriots with sprained knee ligaments, the same injury that kept him out of Kansas City's loss to New Orleans on Sunday.

"I would say he's out," Chiefs coach Dick Vermeil said Monday. "I think he's made a little progress, but he's got a long ways to go. I don't see him being any different than it was last week."

Holmes, who leads the NFL in scoring with 90 points and ranks third in the AFC in rushing with 892 yards, injured his right knee against Tampa Bay on Nov. 7. While he sat out the loss at New Orleans, his replacement, Derrick Baylock, ran for 186 yards.

Vermeil said he does not expect Holmes will need surgery.

Jags QB Letwisch out again

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — Jacksonville Jaguars coach Jack Del Rio expects to be without quarterback Byron Letwisch one more game.

"I'm trying like crazy to get cleared for the game," Del Rio said Monday. "I still believe it's most likely that he'll be back next week (at Minnesota). We'll see how Letwisch feels."

Letwisch sprained a ligament in his left knee Oct. 31, leaving David Garrard to make his second career NFL start.

Moss likely to sit out at least one more game

EDEN PRAIRIE, Minn. — Randy Moss will probably miss at least one more game for the Minnesota Vikings, whose All-Pro receiver hasn't caught a pass in a month because of a strained right hamstring.

Coach Mike Tice said Monday that Moss is progressing, but won't be allowed to play until he completes a week of practice. The Vikings (5-4) have lost three straight.

Tice said Moss' return for the Nov. 28 game against Jacksonville is "more than likely."

Paul rallies Wake Forest

Star fuels Deacons' second-half surge vs. GW

The Associated Press

WINSTON-SALEM, N.C. — Wake Forest struggled with turnovers, shaky ballhandling and poor free-throw shooting in its first game of the season.

NCAA roundup

Fortunately for the second-ranked Demon Deacons, Chris Paul was there to help them through it.

Paul scored 25 points and made several big plays in a decisive second-half run to send Wake Forest past George Washington 97-76 Monday night in the preseason NIT.

"There's still some rough edges that we can smooth out," Paul said. "I think we played together tonight, but we still have a lot of work." Paul had six assists and three steals in 37 minutes despite being banged around by the physical Colonials defense, leading the Demon Deacons to a second-round home game Thursday against Virginia Commonwealth.

Paul added 18 points and seven steals for the Demon Deacons, and Vytas Danelius scored 17.

Paul's effort was the highlight of a Wake Forest performance that followed a familiar pattern from last season. The Demon Deacons had four players score in double figures and shot 56 percent, but they had trouble on defense until switching to a triangle-and-two late in the game.

Ultimately, the Demon Deacons did enough late to secure their 11th straight season-opening victory.

George Washington (0-1) tried several half-court and fullcourt trapping defenses, hoping to force Paul — the leading vote-getter on The Associated Press preseason All-America team — to give the ball up.

When the Colonials failed, Paul made them pay by spinning through double teams, penetrating into the lane and finding open team-

trating into the lane and finding open team-mates.

He certainly paid for it. The sophomore was fouled several times while trying to bring the ball upcourt against the pants. He bruised his knee when he fell on a drive to the basket. At one point, he was even stepped on by teammate Kyle Visser after being knocked down from three-pointers, closing to 75-70 on a three by Carl Elliott midway through the second half.

The Demon Deacons led by 14 early in the second half, but struggled to put away the Colonials. George Washington hit eight three-pointers, closing to 75-70 on a three by Carl Elliott midway through the second half.

But Paul made sure the Demon Deacons did not disappoint their rowdy crowd, leading a 10-2 charge that finally gave them a working margin in the final minutes.

In other preseason NIT games Monday:

Michigan 59, Binghamton 46: In Ann Arbor, Mich., Dorian Harris scored 14 of his 16 points in the second half to help the Wolverines rally from an early deficit.

Harris was just 1-for-5 in the first half as the Wolverines fell behind by 12 points and trailed 32-28 at intermission.

Daniel Horton led Michigan with 17 points. Trailing 39-28, Michigan settled control on both ends of the floor with Brent Petway's dunk off an alley-oop pass from Harris that gave the Wolverines a 41-39 lead with 12:35 to play. It was Michigan's first lead since Horton opened the game with a three-point shot.

Michigan went on a 21-2 run after a 10:05 span to overtake the Bearcats, who missed 18 consecutive shots from the field during the Wolverines' scoring spree.

Colorado 72, Charleston 57: Freshman Richard Roby led host Colorado's balanced scoring with 19 points.

Roby showed plenty flash and dash, breaking out for dunks, creating room for his jump-



Chris Paul (3) had 25 points, six assists and three steals to lead Wake Forest to a 97-76 victory over George Washington on Monday.

er and setting up teammates in his debut. He added eight rebounds and shot 7-for-11, including a three-pointer with 5:55 left after Charleston cut the lead to 63-53.

Julius Ashby added 13 points and Jayson Obaizua went 10 for 20 for Colorado.

Josh Jackson had 12 points to lead Charleston, which shot 26 percent and was 4-for-26 on three-pointers.

Va. Commonwealth 82, American 76 (OT): In Richmond, Va., B.A. Walker scored nine of his 27 points in overtime as the Rams (1-0) earned the opportunity to play No. 2 Wake Forest, which beat VCU 79-78 last year in the first round of the NCAA tournament.

Andre Ingram set a Siegel Center record with 38 points, and had 18 in the first half as the Eagles (0-1) led 36-24 at halftime.

Welch, Hood lead AFA over Ole Miss

The Associated Press

MILLWAUKEE — Antoine Hood scored 15 points and Nick Welch added 14, leading Air Force to a 60-36 victory over Mississippi in Monday's second round of the Black Coaches Association Classic.

Matt McCraw added 11 points for Air Force (2-0). The game was in the Rebels' bracket on the second day of the three-day tournament.

Mississippi (1-1) was led by Todd Abernethy with 12 points.

McCraw had a three-point play and Welch a three-pointer to help the Falcons turn a halfrime tie into a 25-19 lead.

Abernethy hit a three-pointer for Ole Miss to make it 25-22, but Air Force scored four straight points and the Rebels never got closer than seven points.

Preseason NIT

First Round
Tuesday, Nov. 16

Niagara at Providence
Quinnipiac at Pennsylvania
Wright State at Tulsa

Sacramento at Arizona
Quarterfinals
Wednesday, Nov. 16

Colorado at Michigan

Not much movement in men's Top 25 poll

BY JIM O'CONNELL

The Associated Press

The first poll of the college basketball regular season looks a lot like the preseason Top 25.

Syracuse and Illinois switched places at Nos. 5 and 6 Monday, the only movement from the previous rankings.

Only three ranked teams played since the preseason Top 25 was released. Syracuse, Mississippi State and Memphis all won their opening two games in the Coaches vs. Cancer Classic.

Kansas stayed in the No. 1 spot and was again followed by three Atlantic Coast Conference teams: Wake Forest, Georgia Tech and North Carolina.

Syracuse, which beat Northern Colorado and Princeton to open the season, moved up to fifth and was followed by Illinois, Oklahoma State, Connecticut, Kentucky and Arizona.

Kansas received 26 first-place votes and 1,703 points from the national media panel, while Wake Forest had 23 and 1,685.

Georgia Tech was No. 1 on 10 ballots while North Carolina had eight first-place votes, Illinois and Alabama State each had two and Kentucky received one.

Mississippi State beat Fairfield and Birmingham Southern while



Top-ranked Kansas and center Wayne Simien begin their season Friday against Vermont.

out preseason All-America Lawrence Roberts. The 6-foot-10 senior forward missed the first game as he served a one-game suspension from NCAA over his expenses to attend a tryout before the NBA Draft. He didn't play in the second game because he was recovering from a broken nose.

Roberts said he expects to play Thursday night in the Coaches vs. Cancer Classic semifinals against Syracuse.

Memphis, which beat Savannah State and Georgia Marshall, play Saint Mary's, Calif., in the end semifinal at Madison Square Garden.

AP Men's Top 25

The top 25 teams in The Associated Press men's college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, were ranked Nov. 14. Teams are based on 25 points for a first-place vote and one point for each additional vote and last week's ranking.

Rank	Team	First-Place Votes	Points	Weeks in Top 25
1.	Kansas (26)	0-0	1,703	1
2.	Wake Forest (19)	0-0	1,685	1
3.	Georgia Tech (10)	0-0	1,575	3
4.	North Carolina (8)	0-0	1,540	1
5.	Syracuse	2-0	1,460	6
6.	Illinois	0-0	1,450	1
7.	Oklahoma St. (2)	0-0	1,365	7
8.	Connecticut	0-0	1,278	9
9.	Kentucky (1)	0-0	1,190	9
10.	Arizona	0-0	1,184	13
11.	Duke	0-0	1,099	11
12.	Mississippi St.	2-0	932	12
13.	Marquette	0-0	884	13
14.	Louisville	0-0	877	14
15.	Alabama	0-0	778	15
16.	Penn State	0-0	659	16
17.	Texas	0-0	620	18
18.	N.C. State	0-0	596	19
19.	Notre Dame	0-0	413	20
20.	Florida	0-0	365	21
21.	Washington	0-0	335	22
22.	Wisconsin	0-0	321	23
23.	Memphis	2-0	314	24
24.	Arizona St.	0-0	204	25

Others receiving votes: Stanford 79, Michigan 13, Charlotte 38, Providence 33, Cincinnati 27, Illinois 28, Oklahoma 25, North Carolina 11, Georgia 10, Washington 7, UTEP 7, Vermont, UAB 5, Texas Tech 4, Tennessee 4, Toledo 4, UCLA 4, UNLV 4, Iowa 2, Oregon 2, Wake Forest 1, Va. Commonwealth 1, Vanderbilt 1.

The ACC's six ranked teams are one short of the record.

The Big Ten had seven teams ranked for four weeks in January 1993, a feat matched by the Atlantic Coast Conference for two weeks in December 1997, and by the Big Ten for one week in January 1999.

The most recent time the Big Ten did it, seven schools were in the Top 25. The Big Ten had seven teams ranked for four weeks in January 1993, a feat matched by the Atlantic Coast Conference for two weeks in December 1997, and by the Big Ten for one week in January 1999.

Lady Vols still the one

BY CHUCK SCHOFFNER

The Associated Press

Shooting 63 percent against a ranked opponent wasn't enough to pull Texas closer to No. 1 Tennessee in the AP women's basketball poll.

In fact, the Longhorns lost ground Monday despite their torrid shooting in an 84-69 victory over then-No. 21 Penn State.

Tennessee (0-0) received 22 first-place votes from a national media panel — two more than in last week's preseason poll — and had 1,092 points.

That was 31 points more than Texas. The Longhorns received six first-place votes in the latest poll, one fewer than last week.

LSU, which survived a close call against No. 8 Baylor, remained third with 11 first-place votes and 1,059 points. Connecticut, winner of the past three national championships, stayed at No. 4 with six first-place votes and 1,008 points.

This was the 95th time at No. 1 for Tennessee, which regained the lead from Connecticut in 1997. Just nine teams in the Top 25 category, UConn has 94 appearances at No. 1.

Tennessee opens the season Friday at Chattanooga. Connecticut also starts Friday, hosting Buffalo.

Just nine teams in the Top 25 played during the first weekend of the season and only five changed places.

AP Women's Top 25

The top 25 teams in The Associated Press women's college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, received through Nov. 14. Total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote and one point for each additional vote and last week's ranking.

Rank	Team	First-Place Votes	Points	Weeks in Top 25
1.	Tennessee (22)	0-0	1,092	1
2.	Texas (6)	0-0	1,063	2
3.	LSU (11)	0-0	1,059	3
4.	Connecticut (6)	0-0	1,008	4
5.	Georgia	0-0	899	5
6.	Duke	0-0	878	6
7.	Stanford	0-0	825	7
8.	Baylor	0-0	819	8
9.	North Carolina	0-0	744	9
10.	Arizona	0-0	715	10
11.	Notre Dame	2-0	678	10
12.	Marquette	0-0	660	11
13.	Vanderbilt	0-0	550	13
14.	Illinois	0-0	540	14
15.	Michigan	2-0	442	15
16.	Purdue	0-0	426	16
17.	Arizona St.	0-0	410	17
18.	DePaul	0-0	356	18
19.	Marshall	0-0	340	19
20.	Boston College	0-0	336	20
21.	Utah State	0-0	277	20
22.	Arizona	2-0	243	24
23.	Penn State	0-0	209	22
24.	Marland	0-0	145	23
25.	Northwestern Tech	0-0	134	24

Others receiving votes: UCLA 79, Utah 79, Villanova 27, Chattanooga 18, Ole Miss 10, New Mexico 10, Auburn 8, Arizona 7, UNLV 5, New Mexico 4, Florida 3, Middle Tennessee 2, Richmond 2, Wake Forest 2, Mississippi 2, Houston 1, Montana 1, West-Green Bay 1.

LSU is 3-0 under first-year coach Pokey Chatman but blew a 21-point lead against Baylor before coming within 70.

Duke, Ohio State, Notre Dame and Arizona all have won twice in the preseason WNIT, while Minnesota opened with a 77-69 victory over Minnesota.

In the WNIT semifinals Wednesday, Duke plays at Notre Dame and Ohio State hosts Arizona.

Cavaliers above .500 for 1st time since 2001

The Associated Press

CLEVELAND — The Cleveland Cavaliers have more proof that they're getting better. Look, it's right there in the standings.

For the first time in more than three years, they have more wins than losses.

Take another bow, LeBron James.

Last season's rookie of the year and the current player of the week had 33 points and 12 rebounds, helping the Cavaliers move above .500 for the first time since 2001 with their fourth straight victory, 99-88 over the Golden State Warriors on Monday night.

Zydrunas Ilgauskas scored 16 points — 10 in the fourth quarter — and Drew Gooden had 13 rebounds for the Cavaliers (4-3), who hadn't had a winning record since Jan. 12, 2001, when they won 17-16.

James was a high school sophomore back then. He's an NBA sophomore now, getting better by the day.

"LeBron had a pretty nice game, huh?" Warriors coach Mike Montgomery said. "He made some tough, tough shots. We can't do much about those turnarounders because he's just bigger."

With his third 30-plus point performance this season, James temporarily moved past Kobe Bryant for the league's scoring lead.

More importantly, he's playing for a winner.

"He doesn't mean a thing," James said of the Cavaliers' winning mark. "It's the early season, so we can't be worrying about that. We've got to win a lot more."

But after losing 52, 53, 65 and 47 games the past four seasons with little more to look forward to



Cleveland Cavaliers' LeBron James, left, shoots over Golden State Warriors' Jason Richardson during the third quarter of Cleveland's 99-88 victory Monday in Cleveland. James scored 33 points.

than the NBA lottery, being above .500 was worth celebrating.

"It means a whole lot to me," Cavs coach Phil Silas said.

"We're one game over and we have to keep this thing rolling."

Ilgauskas scored his 10 points during Cleveland's decisive fourth-quarter spurt that helped the Cavaliers open a six-point lead and put the Warriors away.

Jason Richardson matched a season high with 27 points and Derek Fisher had 15 for Golden State, which dropped to 1-7.

James, whose shooting touch has improved, drained three three-pointers and scored 21 points in the first half — 17 on outside jumpers.

"He's making them all," Richardson said. "If he does that he's going to be dangerous. He's dangerous already, but if he makes those — look out."

Rockets 80, Nets 69 At East Rutherford, N.J., Maurice Taylor

shook off early foul trouble by making three straight shots to snap Houston out of an early offensive funk.

The Rockets missed their first eight shots and fell behind 11-0 before Taylor, whose third foul came just 3:34 into the first quarter, left to hold off a mild rally.

Jim Jackson scored the first quarter with a three-pointer for a 20-17 edge, giving Houston the lead for good. The Rockets eventually went ahead by as many as 22 to snap a two-game skid.

Tracy McGrady returned from a two-game absence due to a strained right hip and scored 14 points, including a jumper in the lane on which he was fouled with 4:30 left to hold off a mild rally.

Jim Jackson scored a season-high 18 and Taylor added 12. Richard Jefferson led New Jersey with 17 points and 11 rebounds.

The Nets shot just 23-for-75 and dropped their third straight.

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The Sonics also have home vic-

NBA scoreboard

Eastern Conference

Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	4	2	.667	0
Philadelphia	3	3	.500	1
Toronto	2	3	.400	2
New York	2	5	.286	2

Southeast Division

Miami	5	2	.714	0
Orlando	3	3	.500	1
Washington	3	4	.429	2
Charlotte	1	4	.200	3
Atlanta	5	5	.500	3 1/2

Central Division

Indiana	5	2	.714	0
Milwaukee	2	6	.250	1
Cleveland	4	3	.571	1
Memphis	3	5	.375	1 1/2
Chicago	6	4	.600	3 1/2

Western Conference

Southwest Division

Dallas	7	1	.875	0
San Antonio	5	3	.625	1
Houston	4	4	.500	2
Memphis	6	6	.500	2 1/2
New Orleans	6	6	.500	2 1/2

Northwest Division

Seattle	1	8	.111	0
Utah	5	3	.633	1
Minnesota	4	5	.444	2
Portland	3	5	.375	2 1/2
Denver	3	5	.375	2 1/2

Pacific Division

Phoenix	2	6	.257	0
L.A. Clippers	4	5	.444	1 1/2
L.A. Lakers	3	5	.375	1 1/2
Sacramento	3	4	.429	1 1/2
Golden State	3	4	.429	1 1/2

Monday's games

Cleveland 99, Golden State 88	
Houston 80, New Jersey 69	

Tuesday's games

Seattle at Philadelphia	
Houston at Atlanta	
Miami at Minnesota	
New York at San Antonio	
Phoenix at Dallas	
Chicago at Sacramento	
Toronto at L.A. Clippers	

Wednesday's games

Atlanta at Indiana	
Boston at Washington	
Minnesota at Detroit	
Seattle at New Jersey	
Portland at New Orleans	
Miami at Milwaukee	
Chicago at Denver	
Memphis at Portland	
Chicago at Golden State	
L.A. Clippers at L.A. Lakers	

Thursday's games

Cleveland at Charlotte	
Portland at Philadelphia	
New York at Houston	

Monday

Cavaliers 99, Warriors 88

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Rebounds

Garrett, Minn.	5	13	64	77	15.4
Howard, Phil.	6	21	51	72	12.0
Randolph, Port.	6	21	51	72	12.0
Howard, Port.	0	50	52	11.7	

Assists

Nash, Phil.	6	6	45	49.6
Williams, Phil.	6	6	44	48.8
Howard, Minn.	8	7	54	57.5
Marbury, N.Y.	5	5	43	43.6
Iverson, Phil.	5	5	37	41.1

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Golden State

23 15 28 26 38

Cleveland

Three-Point Goals—Golden State 11, Cleveland 2

24, Dunleavy 12, Richardson 14, Seay 0-1, Robinson 0-3, Cleveland 1-11, James 3-5, McMillan 2-3, Pavlovic 1-1, Harris 0-1, Snow 0-1, Foye 0-1, Fisher—Rebounds—Golden State 47 (Murphy 11, Cleveland 51 (Gooden 13, Asst.—Golden State 21 (Dunleavy, Fisher 7, Cleveland 21 (Snow 7, Total fouls—Golden State 25, Cleveland 18, A—20,562 (20,562).

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HOUSTON — Jackson 6-10 3-18, Taylor 5-9 2-12, Howard 4-7 1-2, McGrady 10-13 3-14, Ward 2-3 0-5, Motumbo 2-5 2-6, Lue 3-6 1-2, Howard 4-7 1-2, Bowen 1-0 0-2, Totals 32-73 11-36 20

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Iverson, Phil. 5 5 37 41.1

Sonics staking out territory — in first place

BY JIM COUR

The Associated Press

SEATTLE — Nate McMillan looks at the standings of the new Northwest Division and sees something a little odd — the SuperSonics are in first place.

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The Sonics also have home vic-

tories over San Antonio and Sacramento and a win in Denver this season. All were playoff teams last season, with the Seattle SuperSonics expected to be championship contenders again. Seattle beat them by 19.

"Everyone in our locker room, we know we can play," starting point guard Luke Ridnour said. "We don't listen to what people say about us. We're just going to keep playing hard. We're not going to change anything. We're just going to keep playing hard."

The Sonics feature four-time All-Star Ray Allen in the backcourt and small forward Rashard Lewis, their second best offensive option. They don't have a lot of size, but, although backup point guard Antonio Daniels has been excellent. He scored 28 points against Memphis.

"We have a guy that's going to step up his game, that makes them tough," the Grizzlies' Shane Battier said. "Rashard and Ray will always be there, and most of our wins to focus on are those guys. If someone else comes up big, they're in good shape."

Bobcats activate Sampson for help up front

The Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — In desperate need of frontcourt help, the Charlotte Bobcats activated forward Jamal Sampson on Monday even though he isn't 100 percent healthy.

Sampson is close to being fully recovered from foot surgery he had in March, but the expansion team needs him now. Center Primož Brezec has a sore shoulder and forward Emeka Okafor hurt his ankle, and both are worn out from playing three games last week.

"We need the size, we need 'biggs' — three games in five days, Emeka and Primož are worn



out," coach Bernie Bickerstaff said.

Sampson could split playing time with Jahidi White. The two simply need to provide enough minutes to relieve Okafor and Brezec.

Keith Bogans, acquired in a trade with Orlando before the season started, was also activated.

To make room for the two, the Bobcats sent guard Bernard Robinson and forward Tamar Slay to the injured list.

Meanwhile, the Bobcats hope

guard Brevin Knight will return to the lineup Tuesday night against Utah. He missed three games with a wrist injury. Jason Hart, who moved from shooting guard to point guard to replace him, is questionable with an ankle injury.

Nets' Mercer has knee surgery

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Nets guard Ron Mercer had arthroscopic surgery on his knee Monday and is expected to miss six to eight weeks.

The surgery, to remove loose particles, was performed by Dr. Michael Kelly in New York City. Mercer averaged 9.3 points in three games as the starting shooting guard.

Angels' Guerrero selected MVP

Outfielder wins award over Sheffield, Ramirez in first season in AL

BY RONALD BLUM

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Vladimir Guerrero won the American League MVP award Tuesday, just the fifth time a player switched leagues and earned the honor in his first season with his new team.

The Anaheim Angels right fielder received 21 of 28 first-place votes and 354 points in balloting by the Baseball Writers' Association of America.

New York Yankees right fielder Gary Sheffield finished second with five first-place votes and 254 points. Boston players split the remaining two first-place votes, with left fielder Manny Ramirez winning third and center fielder and designated hitter David Ortiz winding up fourth with 174 points.

Guerrero, 28, signed with the



Anaheim Angels' Vladimir Guerrero became the fifth player to switch leagues and win an MVP award in his first season with his new team.

Angels last winter after eight seasons with the Montreal Expos. He hit .337 with 39 homers and 126 RBIs as Anaheim won the AL West, and led the league with 124 runs and 366 total bases. He batted .371 in September with 10 homers and 23 RBIs.

The only other non- rookies who became MVPs in their first AL seasons were Baltimore's Frank Robinson (1966), Chicago's Dick Allen (1972) and Detroit's Willie Hernandez (1984). In the NL, Kirk Gibson accomplished the feat with Los Angeles in 1988.

Houston's Roger Clemens won the NL Cy Young Award last week following his first season in the league. Clemens won six Cy Youngs in the AL.

Guerrero became the second Angels player to win, joining Don Baylor (1979). He is the fourth Dominican to be MVP, following Toronto's George Bell (1987), the Chicago Cubs' Sammy Sosa (1998) and Oakland's Miguel Tejada (2002).

Guerrero gets a \$500,000 bonus for winning the award and Ramirez \$100,000 for finishing third. Ortiz didn't get anything for finishing fourth — but would get \$400,000 for finishing second through fifth in his contract that starts next season.

Tejada, now with Baltimore, gets a \$302,000 bonus for finishing fifth, and Detroit's Ivan Rodriguez gets \$100,000 for winding up 10th.

LHP Leiter a free agent after Mets buy out deal

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — AL Leiter became a free agent Monday when the New York Mets declined his \$10.2 million option and decided to pay a \$2.1 million buyout.

The left-hander went 10-8 with a 3.21 ERA in 30 starts last season. He began the year by pitching 15 1/3 scoreless innings, then was on the disabled list

from May 11 to June 1 because of tendinitis in his left shoulder. A member of the Mets for the last two seasons, the 39-year-old Leiter also has pitched for the New York Yankees, Toronto and Florida.

The Mets had said they were interested in keeping Leiter, but not at the price of the option, Kris Benson, another starter the Mets say they hope to re-sign, also became a free agent.

If the Mets had exercised the option, Leiter would have had 10 days to accept or reject it.

Kent meets with Tigers

DETROIT — Free agent second baseman Jeff Kent is coming off an All-Star season with the Houston Astros, met with Detroit Tigers officials.

Kent, 36, was named National League Most Valuable Player in 2000 while with the San Francisco Giants. The 13-year major league veteran hit .289 with 27 home runs and 107 RBI for Houston this year.

The four-time All-Star has driven in more than 100 runs in seven of his past eight seasons, including a career-high 128 with the Giants in 1998. Kent signed with the Astros in 2003.

Angels exercise option on Bengie Molina, not on Ortiz

ANAHEIM, Calif. — The Anaheim Angels exercised their contract option on catcher Bengie Molina for next season on Monday, but declined to do the same for pitcher Ramon Ortiz.

The right-handed 31-year-old Molina, 31, will remain on the Angels' 40-man roster and be eligible for salary arbitration. The Angels gave him a \$100,000 buyout instead of paying him \$5.5 million for 2005.

Molina, 30, batted .276 with 10 home runs and 54 RBIs in 97 games last season. His contract for 2005 will be worth \$3 million.

Cardinals' Irisinghausen has hip surgery

ST. LOUIS — Cardinals closer Jason Irisinghausen had successful surgery on his left hip Monday and should be fully recovered in time for spring training.

The right-hander had a career-best 47 saves last season, matching the club record and tying him with Armando Benítez for the NL lead.

He is expected to resume full activities in six to eight weeks.

NL MVP shows age hasn't touched Bonds

Barry Bonds had every reason to drop off this year.

The steroid scandal hounded him. His father was gone. He got little help from batters behind him and saw too few pitches over the plate.

Then there was that little matter of his age, 40 years old, a milestone that often takes a toll on a hitter's reflexes, his legs and sometimes on the eyes.

Yet here he is again winning the NL MVP in a walk — his fourth in a row and No. 7 overall, both records — with two years left on his contract with the San Francisco Giants. And here he is still yearning to win a World Series ring, even as he closes in on the career home run marks of Babe Ruth and Hank Aaron.

Bonds says he can't figure out why he seems to be getting better with age. He'd like a little credit for that, rather than questions about chemical enhancements.

In truth, he's been blessed with talent, taken care of his body in a way that he says his late alcoholic father, Bobby, and other great players did not, and he's pushed himself to work harder every season in pursuit of that elusive ring. More than that, he was born into baseball and still loves the game.

"There's a light switch that turns on on me as soon as that season starts," he said Monday from his home in Beverly Hills, Calif. "I could go through spring training in halfway-mode. But as soon as they say baseball starts, I change. Everything inside of me. I don't know what it is."

What keeps him going through the grind of the season, he says, is the chase for a championship.

"That one thing not being in my life is something that drives me more than anything else does," he said. "To watch other people win drives me to want to be in that circle. Every year I try to get better."

After a monster season was astonishing for what he did as much as for what he might have done if he hadn't been walked so ridiculously often.



San Francisco Giants' Barry Bonds won his fourth straight NL MVP Award after walking a record 232 times during the season.

Consider a season like this: 62 home runs, 141 runs batted in, 180 runs, 188 hits, .362 batting average.

Those are the gaudy numbers Bonds would have been projected to produce, according to the statistical whizzes at the Elias Sports Bureau, if he had walked the same number of times St. Louis' Albert Pujols did (84), instead of a record 232 times.

The hard part about all those walks — whether intentional or on pitches just outside the strike zone — is how much they wear on his concentration and his legs.

"I've tried to explain to players that it's a lot harder to walk than it is to jog back to the dugout and take a rest," he said. "I'm on my feet all day. A lot of teams wear me down. I know they do it intentionally. Sometimes I come through."

"I'm not able to do it as often as I used to. But that has to do with age, too. I'm getting older. My attention span probably isn't going to be the same."

As it was, Bonds hit 45 homers to push his career total to 703 (11 shy of Ruth, 52 behind Aaron), 101 RBIs, 129 runs and 135 hits, along

with that .362 average. Throw in a slugging percentage of .812 and an on-base percentage of .699 (topping the .582 mark he set two years ago) and he made the issue of age almost as irrelevant as the suspicions about steroids.

Anyone can speculate on how much help Bonds has gotten in recent years if he used the steroids that his personal trainer, Greg Anderson, is charged with distributing from the Bay Area Laboratory Co-Operative to top athletes.

Yet in the absence of positive tests on Bonds and the lack of convictions in the ongoing investigation, the only conclusive evidence is the fact that Bonds is doing things at bat that simply can't be attributed to any known drug.

There isn't a steroid in the world that can account for his patience at the plate as he waits for hittable pitches, or his uncanny skill contact with the ball when he does swing. His body armor lets him hug the plate, and his short, compact swing is the deadliest in the game.

Collectively, according to Elias, players battling behind him this season produced a .264 batting average, 19 homers, 103 RBIs — not bad, but hardly the support that Pujols, Scott Rolen and Jim Edmonds gave each other in the St. Louis lineup.

Those three Cardinals finished third, fourth and fifth in the NL MVP voting behind No. 2 Adrian Beltré of Los Angeles.

Bonds says he wants a big hitter or two behind him for protection, especially young players he can teach. But he's not pushing the Giants, who may not be able to afford the free agents out there.

"We'd all love to click our heels and get whoever we want," Giants general manager Brian Sabean said. "Barry knows that we're running a business and it's not that easy. You're also kind of married to what you do, including the size of his contract on the roster."

San Francisco's priority this offseason, Sabean said, is boosting the bullpen with a closer. That means Bonds probably won't be seeing Beltré or Carlos Beltrán batting behind him next season.

Bonds might not like it but that won't stop the light switcher from going on when he hears, "Play ball."

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Eagles' Owens stars



THE DALLAS MORNING NEWS/AP
Dallas Cowboys safety Roy Williams, left, walks away from Philadelphia Eagles wide receiver Terrell Owens, center, as Owens stands on a small star logo painted on a helmet in the end zone after a 27-yard touchdown catch by Owens in the first half Monday night. The Eagles won 49-21.

WR scores three TDs in rout of Cowboys

BY STEPHEN HAWKINS
The Associated Press

IRVING, Texas — Terrell Owens must be running out of material for his touchdown celebrations. Two weeks after mocking Ray Lewis, he reverted to one of his old moves.

Back on the field where he began turning scores into performance opportunities, Owens once again did his thing on the Dallas Cowboys' logo. Only this time, he used a star on a helmet in the end zone, not the large one at midfield.

Owens had plenty of chances to celebrate Monday night with three TD catches in the Eagles' 49-21 win over Dallas.

He pretended to ice skate into the end zone

after his 59-yard touchdown in the first quarter. He posed on the smaller star logo in the end zone after his 27-yarder in the second quarter and then slam-dunked the ball over the crossbar after his last score.

"I'm just going out here having fun," said Owens, who had six catches for 134 yards in his second three-TD game this season. "I can't do too much... I just have to keep it low key."

The latest celebrations were nothing like four years ago when Owens was with San Francisco and celebrated twice on the mid-field logo. Emmitt Smith mocked him after the first one, and safety George Teague flattened him on the next one.

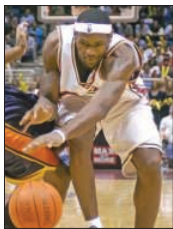
Philadelphia (8-1) rebounded from its only loss by scoring its most points in a regular-season game since 1981.

Donovan McNabb completed 15 of 28 passes for 345 yards and four touchdowns, the other a 59-yarder to Todd Pinkston. He also had an incredible scramble that led to a 60-yard completion and set up Brian Westbrook's 1-yard run just before halftime.

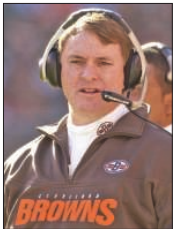
The Eagles had a 35-14 halftime lead, already with more points than they had scored in a game this season and matching the most ever allowed by Dallas (3-6) in a half.

"The guys took pride in themselves to come out here and rebound from the loss last week," Owens said. "We came in with a passion, the pride and the character of the guys on this team, and it showed today."

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